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IN THE MATTER of the Tax Enforcement Return of the Village of Vulcan of the Province of Alberta.

NOTICE is hereby given that, in accordance with the provisions of the Village Act in that behalf, that His Honor Judge Winter, Judge of the District Court of the District of Calgary, has appointed Thursday, the 9th day of April 1914, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon in the Masonic Hall, Vulcan, for the holding of the Court of Confirmation to confirm the Tax Enforcement Return of the Village of Vulcan.

Dated at Vulcan, Alberta, this 9th day of February, 1914.

A. J. FLOOD,
Secretary-Treasurer.

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Interesting Lecture

The members of the Guild who heard the paper entitled "The Last Ice Age In Canada," from the Rev H. Fraser, M.A., B.D., on Thursday evening last, listened to one of the best papers that the Guild speakers have brought forward.

The audience was small, much too small for the value of the speakers remarks, and to some it might have been discouraging. But the interest and enthusiasm which was exhibited by the small band of faithful must have repaid Mr. Fraser somewhat for his trouble on their behalf; here was some recompence for 'penning these jottings.'

Mr. Fraser's paper opened with an outline of the formation and description of the northern part of the States, before it passed away some ten thousand years ago. Starting at the very beginning, from the falling of snow on to the mountain tops which become eternal, he decribed the formation of a glazier, an ice age in miniature. By starting the thoughts of his audience from so comparatively small a beginning, he proceeded to expand his illustration until the whole of Canada lay under a huge ice cap, thousands of feet thick, with the peaks of the highest mountains displayed to the heavens—a primordial Ararat above a flood of ice. Mr. Fraser drew upon the South Pole and Greenland as examples of what Canada was then. He describes the effect of the ice on the land—"The pushing out from the mountains over the plains of an enormous mass of ice had a great effect on the surface of the land. The ice acted like a gigantic jack-plane, shaving off projections on the surface rock in the mountains as it passed, and carrying the eroded material in the form of clay and fragments of rock out onto the level country. Then it was that the great accumulations of clay were formed which now cover the prairie region to a depth of from fifty to one hundred and fifty feet thick. Sometimes, in the mountains, the ice sheet acted more as a gauge than as a jack plane, scooping out the great hollows in the rock, which are now the beds of lakes." As to the physical cause of the ice age, the lecturer said that geologists were not agreed; "Various causes have been suggested, such as an elevation of the surface of the land, which would lower the temperature of the region thus raised. Or, a raising of certain ridges in the ocean bed which would shut the warm water of the tropics from the northern seas, and thus lower the temperature of the adjacent land. Others have sought the cause in the lowering of the temperature of the sun for a time similar to that which is at present associated with freedom from sun spots, though on a larger scale, and acting during a much longer period—But the probable cause is an astronomical one, called the procession of the equinoxes, combining with a period of high eccentricity of the earth."

Mr. Fraser evidently believes with the late Sir Robert Ball and the late James Croll, both men whose work stands high in astronomical and geological circles. From there the speaker went on to tell of the results apparent today which the last ice age produced, after reminding his audience that there had probably been five or six ice ages in recent geological times, that is to say in the last million years, and boulders embodied in older geological formations show that there were ice ages in earlier times. The melting of the enormously thick ice sheet, when the ice age was passing away, must have elapsed between the time when the ice age began to creep back from the south and the time when the last ice sheet vanished from what are now our prairies. During this melting period, many great lakes were formed, where the sediment was able to deposit quietly, and to make plains which are now some of the most fertile lands of the west. Mr. Fraser instanced Manitoba as showing from it's lakes the probable position of the ice barrier which formed them. The deposit of clay, mixed with boulders and stones, which underlie the soil of our prairies, has come down from the mountains, scraped off and carried by the ice sheet. The boulders and stones found in the clay are usually well rounded, whereas surface boulders are little if at all rounded off, which was because the first named had been dragged along under great pressure of ice, and others had been brought on the top of the ice sheet. From this example the speaker's observations became more general, and the formation of hills and valleys in their relation to the workings of the ice sheet were described.

River beds had also been dammed or created. The Great Lakes were formed first of water melted from the ice sheet, dammed by moraine matter, and the Niagara river has come into existence since then. And so the audience were brought to conditions of to-day which are directly related to the last great ice age. It was impossible for the speaker to cover more than a fragment of his great subject, but it is to be hoped that efforts will be made to the end that not only Guild members but others may hear Mr. Fraser lecture upon this subject, a subject of which he has a commanding knowledge.

Miss Douglass contributed to the evening's pleasure by giving a reading.

Neglected Children

The Superintendent of Neglected Children, Parliament Buildings, Edmonton, will be glad to receive applications from farmers and homes requiring boys. A number of boys are available, ranging in age from twelve to fifteen years. Applications are requested from both Catholic and Protestant families, as there are a number of boys of both denominations. There are also a number of children of both sexes, Catholic and Protestant, ranging in age from one to seven years.

Applications for these children should be addressed to the Superintendent of Neglected Children at Edmonton, when full particulars will be given regarding the children.

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Local And General News

Easter falls on April 12 this year.

'Mother's Favourite' Flour, the best you can get at $2.50 per 100, at Terwilliger's Elevator, Vulcan.

At the 4X Meat Market. Allen & Day's Fish, direct from Aberdeen, Scotland.

We are glad to report that Mr. J. Lindsay who has been unwell lately, is about again.

Mrs. A. Shaw accompanied her daughter to Lethbridge on Tuesday last.

Mr. R. E. Dodds returned from his extended holiday down East Thursday last.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Elves were Cayley visitors last week end. Mrs Elves continued her stay into the following week.

Mr. O. L. Hanson and Miss Grace Swan were married on Wednesday last, the ceremony taking place at Calgary.

Evangelical services were held at the Harvey School last week. They were conducted by the Misses Watson and Nelson.

Miss Gwen Davies returned to Vulcan on Wednesday evening last. During her extended holiday she has visited friends in Iowa, Kansas and Nebraska.

The picture show and dance which occurred in the Shimp Hall on Tuesday evening last were both well attended. Local music was supplied for the dancing.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Clark, and Mrs. T. Farrand returned from Medicine Hat on Friday last. They have been attending the Grand Lodge of the I.O.O.F. in that city.

Mr. Ole Hanson and his bride arrived back from Calgary on Friday morning last. A dance was given by them the same evening in the Shimp Hall, a report of which appears elsewhere.

Mr. R. L. Elves has been unable to attend to his business duties during the past week, owing to a slight attack of pleurisy.

Mrs. Robert Louis Stevenson, wife of the famous novelist and writer, died at her home in Montecito, California, on February 18th.

The Dominion Land offices of Calgary have been removed from the old office buildings, and are now located in the Leeson and Lineham building.

The post office report of the parcels post is to the effect that so far not much business has gone through our local office. A fair amount of business has been done, but nothing unusual. It is expected that as soon as things open up, the system will be more widely used

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Clark, and Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Farrand went to Medicine Hat on Monday of last week, in order to attend the Grand Lodge of the I.O.O.F., which is being held in that city. Mr. Clark and Mr. Farrand were sent as delegates of the Vulcan Samaritan Lodge, I.O.O.F., and the two ladies represented the Rebekah Lodge.

A peculiar case came before F. C. Alcock on Saturday of last week. It arose out of the fact that F. Galloway had driven a bull off the range believing it to be his. John Kost, on the other hand, said that the animal was his, and the matter was put into the hands of Constable Petre, who caused Galloway to appear, lodging against him a charge under the estray act. There were no less than eighteen witnesses brought forward, one of whom was Dr. Steel, D.V.S. an expert, of Lethbridge. The result of the case was that Gallaway was fined $1 and $20 costs.

The town of Macleod give a monthly grant of $300 to the Macleod General Hospital.

Mr. R. L. Elves is spending a few days in Cayley after his attack of pleurisy.

The Ladies Aid will meet at the residence of Mrs. W. A. Howes on Thursday next, February 26th.

Mr. J. B. Lukens, of Blackie, was in attendance at the Grand Lodge Medicine Hat representing the Blackie Lodge I. O. O. F.

According to reports from Paris, there is a serious decline in the price of pearls. That may help to reduce the high cost of living for some of us, anyway.

The warm springlike weather that Vulcan enjoyed over last week end didn't last very long, for Tuesday showed a direct change, and a quantity of snow fell in the district.

Mr. M. F. Earp expects to be in his new business premises sometime this week. The office adjoining will be occupied by Mr. M. H. Kahler, the watchmaker and jewller who has heretofore been located in the Bank of Hamilton Block.

Mr. Smart, of the Vulcan Bakery is erecting new premises on M in Street between the Drug Store and the Earp Real Estate Office. The work is in the hands of Mr. Fred Smith.

Look up the advertisement about the carnival which is to be held on the Vulcan rink on Friday night. There are going to be all sorts of good things and you will be missing something if you are not there.

A pitiful case of suffering has recently come to the notice of the local R.N.W.M.P. officer. Mr. G. T. Cook, who has been employed by Mr. O. Sallenbach, thirty miles east, was reported to the officer as being very ill. Constable Petre at once investigated, and brought Cook to town, where he was medically examined by Dr. Carson, who unhesitatingly pronounced tuberculosis to be the trouble. The patient was roomed at the hotel pending instructions, which arrived on Wednesday. Cook was taken down to the Lethbridge hospital, until such time as he will be in a condition to make the journey, and then he will be sent to his parents at London, England. The report of the doctor was to the effect that there is no hope for the patient, it being only a matter of time.

I. O. O. F. Grand Lodge

The Grand Lodge of the I. O. O. F. met at Medicine Hat on Monday, February 16th, and remained in session until Thursday.

Monday was devoted to matters relating to the Rebekah Lodge. That session was called to order and presided over by Sister Dempsey, president of the assembly. The new Hall was also dedicated in the evening. It cost $26,000.

On Tuesday the Oddfellows got to work, and there were 250 delegates present. The mayor of Medicine Hat delivered a speech of welcome to the Oddfellows, which was replied to by P. G. M. Fairley, of Calgary, and Bro. Williams spoke on behalf of the Oddfellows of Medicine Hat.

On Wednesday the election of the Grand Lodge officers took place and on the day following there was the election of assembly officers. The three degrees of the subordinate lodge were examplified also the three degrees of the encampment.

Reports which were read were of the most satisfactory nature. The total number of lodges now stands at 130, being an increase of 17 over this time last year, and there are 800 more Oddfellows. There are also 37 Rebekah Lodges and nine encampments.

The next Grand Lodge will be held at Edmonton next year.

P. G. M. Fairley, of Calgary, and P. G. M. May, of Edmonton, have been elected to attend the Soveriegn Grand Lodge which will meet at Atlantic City sometime during the coming summer.

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Why He Was Despondent

He had just been rejected and the shock had a telling effect upon him.

I shall never marry now, he said dejectedly.

Don't be foolish! Why not? she inquired.

Well, he said, if you won't have me, who will?

Mr. Jones—See here! This horse you sold me runs up on the sidewalk every time he sees an auto.

Horse Dealer—Well, you don't expect a $50 horse to run up a telegraph pole or climb a tree, do you?

Tut, Tut

Not all who auto, ought to, said he.

Humph, said she; not all who ought to auto.

Constipation

is an enemy within the camp. It will undermine the strongest constitution and ruin the most vigorous health. It leads to indigestion, biliousness, impure blood, bad complexion, sick headaches, and is one of the most frequent causes of appendicitis. To neglect it is slow suicide. Dr. Morse's Indian Root Pills positively cure Constipation. They are entirely vegetable in composition and do not sicken, weaken or gripe. Preserve your health by taking

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Slump in Turtle Soup

Until recently it was customary to divide the turtle soup which was unconsumed at the lord mayor's banquet in London among the poor on the following day, but experience showed that its value was unappreciated by the recipients, and that half the soup was poured into the Guildhall yard within a quarter of an hour of the distribution.

When the soup was last distributed its value was estimated at $300, but as its merits were lost on the poor recipients, the lord mayor and sheriff's committee decided to substitute cooked joints.

In accordance with a custom which has been observed for centuries, the provisions that remained after the banquet were distributed recently to about 150 poor people. The work of distribution was undertaken by the members of the committee, who, wearing white aprons, took their places beside the tables, which were laden with mutton pies, beef, partridges, and lobster. Each person who presented himself received a substantial share of the food.

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That is LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE. Look for the signature of E. W. Grove. Cures a cold in One Day. Cures Grip in Two Days. 25c.

What he Would Do

The man hurried into a quick-lunch restaurant and called to the waiter:

Give me a hand sandwich.

Yessir, said the waiter. Will you eat it here or take it with you.

Both, said the patron.

One of the commonest complaints of infants is worms, and the most effective application for them is Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator.

He Liked Them to Cling

The two women were discussing the fashions.

Did you say that your husband was fond of those clinging gowns?

Yes, indeed; he likes one to cling to me for about five years.

Dangerous

I am just wondering whether it would be safe to propose to that girl that I have been going with.

I don't think it would.

What makes you think she would turn me down?

I don't I think she would snap you up.

Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper

Only Dry Ones

In a town in western Kansas the dry weather was being discussed by two travelling men.

Little puffs of white clouds were rolling by, and one of the men remarked: That certainly looks like rain.

No chance, the other remarked those are just empties coming back from town.

DOCTOR SAID HE HAD DIABETES

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Dodd's Kidney Pills are no cure-all. They simply cure diseased kidneys. The reason they cure backache, dropsy, rheumatism, neuralgia, diabetes, urinary troubles and Bright's Disease is that all of these are either diseases of the kidney or are caused by disordered kidneys failing to do their work.

Is He?

Is he rich?

I hould say he is. He's got three lawyers, four bookkeepers and seven expert accountants figuring out his income tax.

Chronique Scandaleuse

Gossip (at top of her voice as tube train rushes along)—Why do I stop talking at the stations? My good girl, do you suppose I want everybody to hear all about Aunt Sophie and the chauffeur?

News to Him

Minister—So you've turned over a new leaf, Sandy. I was indeed glad to see you at our prayer meeting last night.

Sandy (village reprobate)—Is that whaur I wis? I didna kin whaur I had been after I left McGlastan's pub.

Some Dodger

This, said the asylum attendant, pointing to the patient in a padded cell who was dodging back and forth, is what we consider a hopeless case.

What's the matter with him? inquired the visitor.

He thinks he is continually dodging automobiles and roller skates.

He Was More Than Cool

Tell me, said the lady to the old soldier, were you cool in battle?

Cool? said the truthful veteran, why I fairly shivered.

Control of Municipal Finance

(Continued From Last Week)

Would be of Assistance to Government

The commission would no doubt render the Government invaluable service in the framing of legislation dealing with the municipalities already enumerated, and undoubtedly the present Acts would, following the appointment of this commission, immediately undergo a thorough examination. We have already taken the liberty of pointing out wherein certain changes might be made, and add the following suggestions:

According to the annual report of the Department of Municipal Affairs for the financial year 1912-13, there were at the close of February last, two hundred and forty-eight villages in existence. One hundred is the minimum population required for a village, twenty-five of whom must be male adults. It may interest you to know that fifteen of these had at that time a population of seventy five or less, and a further fifteen had less than one hundred population. Over one hundred out of the two hundred and forty-eight Villages have a population of less than two hundred souls. We believe the minimum required for incorporation should be raised to two hundred, fifty of whom should be male adults.

The debenture of the village of seventy-five people is hard to market. The tiny population and the small assessment are the two chief reasons for their unpopularity among investors. By increasing the population qualification you would do much to raise the standard of the village bond. Those communities below two hundred population might well continue as hamlets under the care of the Department of Municipal Affairs, with a borrowing power perhaps equal to that allowed under the old Village Act. It might not be wise to make this legislation retroactive.

Prohibit Granting Bonuses

Permission to issue debentures for the purpose of granting bonuses to manufacturies, flour mills, etc., should not be granted under any circumstances. This is a pernicious practice and it is almost always entered into by reason of purely local optimism or in a spirit of rivalry. We were advised recently by an American citizen who has travelled extensively throughout every State in the Union, that there are many citizens, residents of the Western States of America, who are today taxed to pay debts originally created to foster industries brought into existence by unscrupulous promoters, who cared nothing for the communities in which they were for the time being operated. The only physical evidence of these industries or works having existed, is furnished by the deserted and decaying structures and silent, rusting machinery. Most of the cities in the Republic to the south of us have legislated against such bonusing, and we would like to see our Province do likewise.

Such a commission should have power to hear all assessment appeals from the Court of Revision as at present constituted. This would go a long way toward eliminating inflated values. It should have power to regulate or prevent the inclusion of outlying lands within the limits of cities or towns. Such a restriction would be welcomed by many who feel that this would mitigate the subdivision evil to a very large extent.

Single Tax

We do not think it would be expedient to remove the matter of assessment from the jurisdiction of municipal bodies, but we believe the commission would be able to advise and render municipalites considerable assistance in this regard. While the law is explicit in this respect is a fact that there is much room for improvement. Many feel that the tendency of our times is toward the adoption by municipalities of the so-called single tax system, by which is meant taxation of land values only. The adoption of such a system should be gradual, and it is believed by many that the taxation of land values only would tend to greater uniformity in taxation throughout the Province.

We believe such a commission would advocate the enactment of legislation, making it illegal for certain municipalities to issue straight term debentures. Villages and small towns should repay their bond indebtedness either by equal annual instalments of principal or by the annuity method, which provides for payment by equal annual instalments of principal and interest during the life of the loan, that is to say, the payments made in the first year would be equal to that called for at any other annual date of the loan. The latter plan would permit of coupons for interest only being attached; a feature sometimes desired by investors.

The commission should have power to administer a sinking fund committee separate entirely from its Council. In some of the older Provinces we believe sinking funds were not provided as they should have been which has to some extent hurt the market for straight term bonds of small municipalities.

Section 184 of the Town Act reads as follows: Every town may, subject to the following provisions, pass by-laws for contracting debts by borrowing money or otherwise for levying rates for the payment of such debts on the rateable property of the town for any purpose within the jurisdiction of the town, or on roads, bridges, water works or drainage works outside the limits of the town. Provided that no town shall have power to pass such bylaw for contracting debts to a greater extent than 10 per cent of the rateable property in the town, except as provided in Section 48 of the Municipal Public Works Act.

Therefore, the Municipal Public Works Act of 1906 should be read in conjunction with the City and Town Acts. It provisions are in part as follows:

Certain cities and all towns may borrow money for the purpose of constructing or acquiring water works, sewers, lighting, heating, and power works, in which case the money borrowed is a special charge upon the works and is not counted as diminishing the powers of the municipality to borrow money under the City or Town Act. From this you will see that it is quite possible for a town to contract debts to a far greater extent than 10 per cent of the rateable property. Under this Act debentures issued for public works may extend over a period of fifty years and may be payable in such a manner that for the first five years succeeding their issue date interest only shall be payable. Our impression is that following the appointment of such a commission its members would give early consideration to the privileges granted municipalities under this Municipal Public Works Act of 1906 and would most likely recommend that it be repealed.

(To be Continued)

Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria

An Enviable State

He—I certainly envy old Smith.

She—Why, the idea! He's deaf and dumb!

He—I know it, but when his wife lectures him all he has to do is shut his eyes and that ends the conversation.

Nodd—Can your wife keep a secret?

Todd—Well, I should say so. She never lets on how much she orders when she goes shopping.

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Tenacious

She (at the football game)—Who is that man that all the players are standing around arguing with?

He (answering the 99th question)—Oh, that's the fellow who's keeping the score.

She—And won't he give it up?

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The Kind of Death He Would Face

Olive and Gerald while out walking met a vicious bulldog, and Gerald's conduct in the next few moments left much to be desired. When they had safely passed live turned to Gerald and said reproachfully: Why, Gerald! And you said you would face death for me.

I know I did, answered Gerald, and I meant it. But that bulldog wasn't dead.

True Love

Wifey—Why, dear, you haven't smoked any of those cigars I gave you for a present.

Hubby—No, I haven't the heart to burn anything you gave me.

Wise Fresh—No woman ever made a fool of me.

Senior—Who did?

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How Could She Do It?

My wife, said Mr. Clark, sent two dollars in answer to an advertisement of a sure method of getting rid of superfluous fat.

And what did she get for the money? Was the information what she wanted? asked Mr. Simmons.

Well, she got a reply telling her to sell it to the soap man.

A Cheerful Prospect

They had just become engaged.

What joy it will be, she exclaimed, for me to share all your grief and sorrows!

But, darling! he protested; I have none.

No, she answered; but when we are married you will have.

Of Course Not

Doctor, this bill is exorbitant and I won't pay it, said the patient irritably. Besides I'm no better than I was before I came to you anyway.

Of course you're no better, retorted the physician, and all because you didn't take my advice.

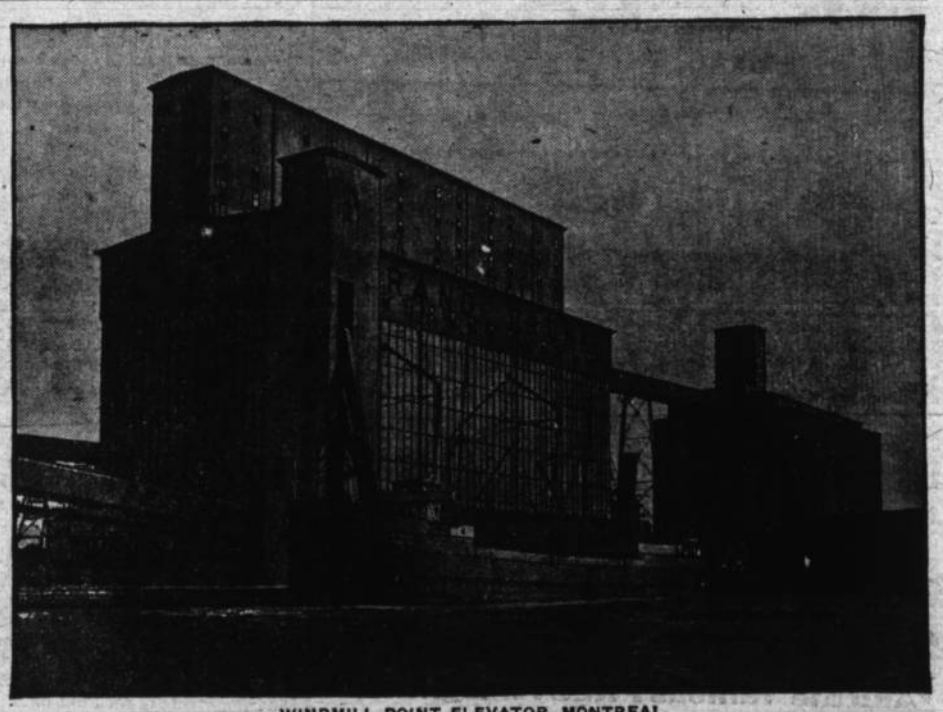
Oh! said the patient. Of course as I didn't take it I don't owe you anything for it. Good evening.

A Matter of Relationship

Two chance acquaintances from Ireland were talking together.

An' so yer name 's Riley? said one. Are yez anny relation to Tim Riley?

Very distantly, said the other. Oi wus me mother's first child, an' Tim was the twelfth.



WINDMILL POINT ELEVATOR, MONTREAL.

While the Grand Trunk has been looking well to the matter of elevator construction in Western Canada to provide storage capacity for the ever-increasing grain crop, provision has also been made for shipping facilities at Montreal. In the spring of 1906 what is known as the Windmill Point Elevator, located in the busy harbor of Montreal, was completed and put into operation. Its capacity was 1,060,000 bushels. Its situation is so well planned that it is easily accessible to both lake or ocean vessels, with railway tracks alongside. To provide additional accommodation a large annex has just been completed, with a capacity of 1,070,000 bushels, making a net capacity of 2,150,000 bushels. There are in this new building 28 concrete tanks, 25 feet in diameter and 100 feet in height, arranged at right angles in four rows, with seven tanks in each row. The tanks are constructed of reinforced concrete, having their adjacent sides rigidly united, so that the four-pointed, star-shaped spaces between the circular tanks may be used for storage as well as the circular tanks themselves. The large tanks hold approximately 33,000 bushels apiece, and the star-shaped or interstice bins hold approximately 8,000 bushels each. It is the second largest grain bin on the Grand Trunk System, the largest being located at Fort William, with a capacity of 5,700,000 bushels.

MABEL'S CHITCHAT

An Exceptional Occupation For Women—The Sunshine Lady.

HOW IT IS ACCOMPLISHED.

The Sending of Flowers to Ill Persons, Is Often More of a Burden to Them Than a Blessing—Making Swirly Frosting For Cake.

Dear Elsa—Women who never in their comfortable lives have earned a cent are nowadays breaking out into the most unexpected occupations. One of the strangest ways of earning a livelihood is being carried on by an acquaintance of mine. She markets sunshine and good cheer. Did you know that these qualities were being commercialized?

Well, to tell the story of this girl from the beginning: Several months ago, upon the death of her father, the wage earning of the family was thrust upon her. She had, unfortunately, no business training and, as far as she knew, no business ability. But necessity again became the mother of invention. Summing up her personal assets, she found that they consisted, for the most part, of a cheerful disposition and a pleasant smile. She determined to turn these assets to account.

Her plan was simply to charge a fee for the sunshine and cheerfulness she contributed.

"You know," she said to me the other day, "I realized that there were lots of people who would pay for being put into good spirits. This is the reason why theaters are so successful. But there are as many more persons who prefer the quieter forms of amusement, playing cards or checkers or even discussing the latest fashions. What they desire most is cheerful human companionship. It was to these people that I decided to sell my services."

Her decision, from all appearances, was a wise one, as the sunshine business, even in this short while, is a flourishing industry, and her clients all pay cheerfully for her unusual commodities.

Of course her duties are varied, and to be a professionally cheerful person is a tax upon one's sense of humor. This plucky girl tells stories to invalids, cheers up the sick, gossips with the ladies, old and young, if need be; plays games with those who are lonely, amuses children or entertains at luncheon or dinner for a hostess who is called away. So you see my friend is indeed a sunshine lady.

Speaking of ill people, Margaret D. is at St. E.'s hospital convalescing from the effect of a severe operation. I went to see her yesterday and found her surrounded by the most beautiful floral offerings from friends. Remarking upon the loveliness of the blossoms brought forth a very pertinent question from the invalid:

"Why do friends smother an ill person with flowers during the first few days of an illness, when she is too exhausted even to look at a bouquet of flowers, much less to endure their fragrance? Why do they not save them for the tedious days of convalescence."

It never occurred to me that this is exactly the way flowers are sent to the sick. The moment one hears that a friend has to undergo an operation or is in for a siege of fever off one goes to the florist. This duty performed, there is probably not a thought of sending any more flowers.

Wouldn't it be much better to wait a week or two until the first rush of bouquets is over and until the patient is in a condition to enjoy flowers before sending them?

It is too often the case that during the first period of illness the flowers are really nauseating, and the only pleasure the patient gets from them is to read later the cards of those who bombarded the sickroom with choice but really unappreciated offerings.

So, dear, you liked the frosting "particularly" on the cake I sent you by parcel post and want to know how I did it. Certainly you shall know. Make ordinary boiled icing and, after you have beaten it stiff enough to hold its own firmly on a cake, empty it into a double boiler. Place the boiler over a good fire that will keep the water in the lower pan at a brisk boil. Do not stir the frosting at all, but watch it until it begins to fudge around the sides of the pan.

Then take it from the stove and beat it in the pan until it is cool enough and thick enough to swirl on your cake, holding its own in whatever position you wish it to penetrate.

If you let it get too cool it will harden in the pan, perhaps, before you have finished frosting your cake. This will happen if you are frosting small cakes which take time to cover one by one. If it does harden, a little hot water beaten in will remedy the difficulty.

It is the double boiling, dear, which gives the frosting the enviable fudgy, marshmallowy consistency that you liked.

And be sure not to use a knife to put on the frosting when you want it to have a swirling, irregular appearance. Use a fork handle and you will make just as good frosting as yours faithfully,

MABEL.

New York.

To Keep Cake Fresh.

Most housewives know that an apple in the cake box will help to keep cake fresh and moist, but if there is cake in the house and no apple put a glass of clear water in the box and the same result will be achieved.

THE SPEAKING VOICE.

How You May Acquire a Most Coveted Possession.

There is nothing more attractive in a person than a beautiful speaking voice, but, although this fact is universally acknowledged, few persons really try to attain this attraction. Nevertheless, it is within the reach of everybody, and can be obtained with but very little effort. A daily fifteen minutes or half hour of work is all that is necessary.

In the first place, one must gain control of the voice producer, the breath. Begin by taking just ordinary breathing exercises every day, deep inhalations, filling the lungs to their capacity and expanding the diaphragm with each breath. Soon you will find you possess a new strength, force and power beyond words to describe.

Now having gained the moving voice force, direct your attention to the voice itself. Most speaking voices have from five to eight primary notes. The first one is the lowest the voice is capable of touching easily, with no effort or sound of hoarseness, and then on up the scale to the highest that can be pitched without sound of shrilliness and attained only with absolute

These notes are the background, as it were, of the speaking voice. We must use them first, later adding the other tones. Take a deep breath, then sound the vowel "a" (ah) up and down the scale on these primary notes, at the same time exercising great care to think each tone as far forward in the mouth as possible, while also striving to keep from using the slightest effort so far as "forcing" the tone is concerned. In other words, vocalize the spoken tone with as much gentleness and sweetness as possible. The mouth must be well open and the jaw relaxed.

After repeating this exercise several times, begin to intone words on these same notes, speaking them gently and placing them as far forward in the mouth as you did in the exercise, all the while being careful to notice the sound of each word, its quality, tone and placement. Take a poem or prose selection like Shelley's "Cloud," for instance, and intone it carefully on the primary notes, chanting each verse on a different key, but with no inflection. Then take the same poem and "speak" it in the different keys.

Gradually you will find that the voice is taking on a different tone and developing in richness and quality, and then follows the detection of faults in your own voice, which you are now eager to overcome. When once the ear is trained, the time is not far distant when you will have attained that much coveted possession — a beautiful speaking voice.

Think at least twice before using your voice once if it is well trained, and try never to utter a word that is not clear, distinct and well modulated. Hurried, careless habits of life and a tendency to irritability are responsible for the harsh tones of many voices which nature fitted for something better than to grate on our ears as they do.

Love Deaths In Japan.

Suicide as a cure for hopeless love is a common expedient in Japan. "There are Japanese lovers," says a writer, who, owing to circumstances, are unable to marry, but they do not blame circumstances. They regard their misfortune as the result of an error in a previous existence, such as breaking their promise to wed or because they were cruel to each other. Such lovers believe that if they bind themselves together with an undergirdle and spring into a river or lake they will become united in their next birth. This suicide of Japanese lovers is called "ioshi," which means 'love death' or 'passion death.'"

More Waiters Than Guests.

There were last summer more waiters than guests in the Swiss hotels situated at high altitudes, as the result of continuous cold and rain.

The first part of the summer season was a complete failure, and it is estimated that hotel proprietors, railroads and storekeepers lost over $1,250,000. Climbing in the higher Alps was too dangerous, and Lake Constance overflowed in several parts, flooding a number of villages and towns. As a result the tourist travel was unusually light.

The Neighborly Spirit.

The neighborly spirit is an excellent thing to cultivate, although not, perhaps, as it is cultivated in the following story:

"How do you like your new home?" a friend asked a man who had recently moved into the village.

"Pretty well."

"Have you called on your neighbors yet?"

"No," the newcomer admitted, "I haven't. But I'm going to if any more of my wood is missing."

Tea Drinking.

Tea drinking was regarded as one of the feminine vices of a hundred years ago. The Female Spectator of that period observes: "The tea table costs more to support than would maintain two children at nurse. It is the utter destruction of the economy, the bane of good housewifery and the source of idleness."—London Mail.

His Thanks.

"I notice," said the young man's employer, "that you are always about the first in the office in the mornings.'

"Thank you, sir,"

"Why do you thank me?"

"For noticing it."

Bored Him.

"Betts tells me he took a long trip this morning."

"Where did he go?"

"He rode two blocks on a street car with Biffels."

HOBBY PARTY.

Merry Entertainment For the Jolly Church Sociable.

We all have hobbies, whether we ride the "horse" hard or not. There is always just some one thing we like to do or to have better than anything else, so to enliven a church social the entertainment committee asked each guest to wear an article to represent his or her favorite fad. There was the boy who had the stamp collecting fever at its height. He appeared with a stamp for a scarfpin, another glued on to a huge ring as a setting and four or five glued to his coat lapel in lieu of a bouquet.

The silk quilt worker had her frock plentifully patched with silk squares of the patterns she was making or desired to make, and the would be artist had water color and pen and ink sketches on her dress, with a peaked hat made of water color paper, which had marine scenes upon it.

The airship fiend had a miniature flying machine (found at the toy counter) worn around his neck and a golf suit. The sailor boy was in white duck, with a "middy" cap, and the young miss who was learning to cook carried a ring and chain, from which dangled spoons, egg beater, flour sifter, etc. It is needless to say that this was the merriest kind of a party, far different from the average church social.

There was no lack of animated conversation, and to make things more interesting, when all sat down to refreshments, which were served at small tables, each one was asked to tell in two minutes the merits of his especial hobby.

This meeting turned out to be quite an exchange not only of ideas, but of materials, for every one found out what the other fellow was interested in, and some saved stamps and others silk pieces, and others gave cherished recipes, and all found that even those whom they thought dull and stupid were most interesting when led to talk upon what was uppermost in their minds.

DANCING FROCKS.

Girls of Ten or Twelve Wear Exquisite Net Models.

Little net dresses are especially pretty and dainty as dancing school frocks for girls of ten or twelve. They are generally mounted over a colored silk slip, and very often the ribbon tracery is applied to the slip, the net veiling this ribbon or flower trimming. One particularly effective dress of white

CHARMING FROCK OF WHITE NET.

net was mounted over a lining of net, and the wreaths of pink rosebuds and forgetmenots were attached at irregular intervals to the net lining. A bolero was simulated by bands of insertion, partially veiling the sash of pink chiffon, which was knotted at one side of the front and its ends twisted into rosettes with flower centers. The frock pictured is of white accordion plaited net, with a black satin vest introduced on the waist.

Self Irrigating Pans For Plants.

One of the best ideas is the self irrigating basket or pan. This is made up in all styles and has a reservoir of tin, which sets in the basket with a pipe extending up to the height of the basket. This pipe is entirely hidden when the ferns or plants are placed in the basket.

All the watering is done through this pipe, the reservoir holding enough water to last ten days. There are two openings in the reservoir with sponges in them, and the plants absorb the water through those sponges in quantities required. Ferns and plants grow better in these baskets than in the ordinary receptacles for them, as they are never given too much or too little water at a time.

Woven Name Tapes.

For the methodical housewife woven name tapes are a boon. For $2 you can have your name woven in twelve dozen little lengths of white tape. The weaving is in red. These twelve dozen tapes would mark much of your household linen for years to come, doubtless, for, of course, it would not do for table linen. For sheets and pillowcases, towels of all sorts and underwear nothing could be neater or more durable. It takes three or four weeks for the manufacturer to fill each order.

IDEAL WIVES.

Well-Known Novelists Views on Desirable Women.

Tastes, of course, differ, but some men appear to want a wife who never existed except in romantic dreams. She must be a model of all virtues and possess no failings. She must be "so pretty that we are always proud, and so good that we are never uneasy; a woman who wears well and looks her best in two-year-old gowns; who applies the adjective important in relation to our work, our food, and our desire for unfettered holidays; who laughs at our jokes and preserves a marble face when we are scored off by others; with whom we have the massively comforting sensation that she will never recognize the plain, staring fact that we are not brave, not wise, not kind, not clever."

The words quoted are those of that popular novelist, Mr. W. B. Maxwell, and "the astounding, incredible thing," he concludes, in his comments on the sort of woman a man likes, "is that, wanting all that, we sometimes get it."

A truer note, perhaps, is struck by Mr. Joseph Hocking who, for remarking that a woman a man does not like is the political woman, says:

"Man's ideal of womanhood, as far as I know men, is suggested by the old-fashioned word 'womanliness'. She is a sympathetic companion, one who desires to share in the joys and sorrows of her husband. She is a lover of home and children, and finds her greatest joys by her own fireside. She is far removed from the creature whose main thought is her own pleasure. Whether she is intellectual or not I do not think of great importance, but she must be pure in heart and life, and, like Dickens' Agnes, hers must be the 'hand that ever points upward'."

And both Mr. Coulson Kernahan and his friend, Mr. Max Pemberton, agree with Mr. Hocking. The former, in a Strand Magazine symposium, quotes G. H. Lorimer, the well-known American editor and author, who has given it as his opinion that "Marriages may be made in heaven, but most engagements are made in the back parlor with the gas so low that a fellow doesn't really get a square look at what he is taking."

"But" comments Mr. Kernahan, "the woman that the majority of men like may be dark or fair, tall or short, plump or slim, so long as she is, before all things, womanly." And most readers will probably agree with Mr. Max Pemberton, who gives it as his opinion that men want "chiefly a womanly woman. She must be," he says, "the woman in all the world for him, and he must be conscious of the fact. It is quite impossible for one man to convince another that any particular type of beauty is an element in the mystery of love. The appeal is from the soul of the woman to the soul of the man. Nevertheless, it is the quality of womanhood, of gentleness and patience and capacity to love, that is the supreme thing."

Mr. E. Temple Thurston is somewhat severe on his own sex. "The kind of woman a man likes," he says, "is the woman who can minister to his selfishness without obliterating herself, who can listen to his egotism without making him feel he is monopolizing the conversation, who can clothe his thousand faults with the desire to win to his few virtues; she who can be mother and child, mistress and wife, friend and counsellor to his countless inconsistencies."

A Millionaire's Freak.

M. Spiridinoff, a well-known Moscow millionaire, is just about to celebrate his golden wedding. To the festivities which are to mark the event two hundred guests have been invited. Each of these two hundred people received the other day a special and appropriate card of invitation, made of pure gold. As each card weighs 20 grammes, which is rather less than 3-4 oz. avoirdupois, it follows that the total amount of gold used is just about nine pounds. The metal was transformed into these unique missive, on which the invitation was worked in enamel by a Moscow goldsmith. Each invitation card is valued at about $30.

Her Name.

One needs patience to succeed as a teacher of the young, as this brief dialogue in one of our elementary schools may show:

Scholar—I've left home now, ma'am. I'm living with my auntie.

Teacher—What's her name?

"She's called after me—Fanny."

"Yes, but what's her other name?"

"She has no other."

"But what does the woman next door call her?"

"She doesn't speak to the woman next door."

Rendering Lard.

Cut leaf lard into small pieces and run through the meat chopper before rendering and you will have almost all lard and very few cracklings when through cooking. A teaspoonful of common baking soda in the water in which you start your lard to rendering makes its white and sweet. Sprinkle a thin layer of salt in the bottom of jars before pouring in your newly rendered lard and it will not get rancid.

Soft Gingerbread.

A cupful of sugar, one-half cupful of shortening, two eggs, a cupful of molasses, a tablespoonful of ginger, a tablespoonful of cinnamon, a heaping teaspoonful of soda dissolved in a cupful of boiling water, three and two-thirds cupfuls of flour and a tablespoonful of vinegar. Beat well and bake in a moderate oven thirty-five or forty minutes.

A Lark.

What a lark it would be if an egg came down the chimney.

No, it wouldn't, unless it was a lark's egg, and even then not until it was hatched

Eggsactly.

FABLES OF FORTUNE.

Recent Stories of Poor People Who Become Suddenly Rich.

Now and again, of course, it happens that a person is suddenly raised from poverty to affluence by some unexpected bequest, but it may be safely said that the stories of fabulou fortunes being unexpectedly left by rich uncles are, in the majority of cases, fiction. We have a striking illustration of this in the recent story, which afterwards proved to be quite bogus, of the charwoman who, it was said, had been left $125,000. It appears that about two months ago a report was circulated from Yorkshire that Miss Sarah Ann Davidson, of Redmire, Yorks, had left an estate, expected to amount to over $1,000,000, and that she had bequeathed $125,000 to a washerwoman named Fawcett. As a matter of fact, Miss Davidson's estate was proved at $90,000, and there was no bequest either to Mrs. Fawcett or to any washerwoman.

There was a parallel case in August last, when a laborer named Tunstall was reported to have inherited a fortune of something like $1,000,000, from his father-in-law, who had died in Australia. Many romantic stories were told of Tunstall at the time, and the sceptics seemed to have been silenced when it was announced that Tunstall had sailed for Australia to take over his wonderful fortune. The sceptics, however, were right, and the whole bottom of the story was knocked out when Tunstall suddenly returned to Bolton with no money.

In some cases it is difficult to say why these stories of fictitious fortunes are circulated. There are times, however, when they enable systematic frauds to be carried out. There was the case, for instance, of a woman in a Midland town in England who assiduously spread the report that she had inherited a fortune of $500,000 from a relative who had died in New Zealand. On the strength of this report she borrowed money, ran up large bills with local tradesmen, fleeced her friends to the extent of several hundred pounds, and then disappeared. It was ultimately discovered that she had inherited no fortune. Nor was there any prospect of her being bequeathed as much as a five-pound note, and the people whom she had swindled were left lamenting.

It may be remembered, too, that Violet Charlesworth practiced a similar deception by announcing that she was coming into a fortune of $750,000 when she reached the age of twenty-five. She was sentenced to five years' penal servitude, afterwards reduced to three years, for conspiring and obtaining money by false pretences.

Oxford Latin Attacked.

The question of the pronunciation of Latin led to a lively discussion at the Headmasters' conference held at Reading, Eng.

The Rev. H. Costley White, Headmaster of Bradfield College, said that when a boy went to a university, especially Oxford, he came into a farrago of cacophonous jargon, which did duty for the pronunciation of the Latin language.

He believed that there was no place in the world where Latin was more variously or villainously pronounced than at Oxford.

A resolution was passed, that in order to attain uniformity a committee of the conference should invite every member to pledge himself to adopt the reformed pronunciation recommended by the Classical Association—that is, with broad vowels, hard g and c, the w sound of v, the dipthong ae like the long i, etc.

Lions Can Act Up.

That lions can sometimes act up to their reputation was proved by the "Maneaters of Tsavo," whose story is told by Colonel Paterson. During the building of the Nigerian railway a pair of lions terrorized the engineering camp for months, breaking through the night defences to carry of their victims, attacking in the open in broad daylight, and even on one occasion boarding a train. For months they defied all attempts to destroy them, and their depredations brought the work to a standstill for weeks, and led to their being "mentioned" in the House of Commons, which of course ended them.—London Daily Chronicle.

Bonehead Stick.

A gruesome walking stick was that used by the late Moberley Bell, so long manager of The London Times. It was a plain, stout stick, mounted with a bone from his own body. When a correspondent in Alexandria he was crossing a railway line and caught the heel of his boot between the points. A train was approaching and by a desperate effort he wrenched himself free. But he so injured his ankle that an operation was necessary, and one of the joint bones had to be removed. This he had mounted as the handle of the walking stick which he used to counteract the limp his accident left him.—London Tatler.

Had Experience.

At a recent meeting of the Church Army Prebendary Wilson Carlile told a story concerning a Royal Army Medical Corps orderly, who was being impressively warned by a nurse before going on night hospital duty that he must on no account be tempted by the darkness to fall asleep.

"It's all right, miss," he said, with a twinkle in his eye. "There ain't no fear o' that. I was a poacher afore I joined."

Wouldn't Be Beaten.

At the opening of the Shakespeare Memorial Theatre at Stratford-on-Avon a concert was given, and Mr. William Shakespeare, the well-known professor of singing, signed his name in the visitors' book.

A Cockney wag, seeing the signature, and believing it was done for a joke, thought he would go one better, and signed himself "Oliver Cromwell."

A FRENCH NOVELIST

HECTOR BERNIER IS A RISING FIGURE IN LITERATURE.

Young Man Whose First Novel a Year Ago Made So Great a Hit, Has Written Another Which Is a Picture of Life Along the St. Lawrence — A Document From the Life of the Canadian People.

When English-speaking Canadians assess their national literary output they are prone to forget that in Quebec unheard of by the majority of Canadians at all, there is a vigorous young literature.

In this year's output of French-Canadian books, the most interesting features for students of belles-lettres are two novels. Unlike so many of the Canadian novels issued in English, that deal with our romantic past or the far northland of white snows, both these French-Canadian works are novels of manners. They deal with contemporary life in Quebec along the St. Lawrence, and, though they thus lose perhaps a certain fictitious charm, they are far more valuable than the average English-Canadian work as documents from our life.

One of the works is a novel by Monsieur Hector Bernier, the most brilliant of the younger French-Canadian novelists, who made such a hit last year with his first novel, "Au large de l'ecueil," dealing with religion.

"It is a rather far-fetched tale on social conditions in Canada—a tirade against snobbism, if you like," says

HECTOR J. BERNIER.

Bernard Muddiman in The Canadian Courier. In "Ce que disait la flamme" we have an exceedingly rich and vulgar French-Canadian father, of the name of Fontaine, who has a son, Jean, of refined education and ashamed of his father, and a daughter, who makes a foolish match with a young snob. Jean himself is imbued with strongly patriotic ideals of the usual modern Quebec type. He falls in love with the daughter of one of his father's workmen and endeavors to persuade his parent to expend his wealth in bettering the conditions of the poorer French-Canadian. There is much fiddle-faddle made out of Jean's class prejudices at the thought of making a mesalliance with a work girl. However, in the end Jean becomes engaged to Lucille. But his purse-proud father, after the time-honored tradition, orders him out of the house. So Jean marries Lucille and settles down in a poor suburb of Quebec to aid and reform the habitants. But the father and daughter find the wages of wealth are discontent. Yvonne leaves her snobbish husband and returns home to her father. There, father and daughter, looking in the fire one evening, decide to beg Jean to return to them.

"Apparently, Monsieur Bernier would teach us that the idealist is alone happy in this world."

A Novelist's Career.

As a writer of exciting romance Mr. Bernard Capes enjoys a high reputation, and most readers have had the pleasure of sampling his literary wares. Like many other writers Mr. Capes tried various things before he found his true career, and he has viewed life from many standpoints.

He was born in unromantic Brixton, and was educated at Beaumont College. He desired to enter the army and began to study for the Royal Engineers, but by an error was prevented from sitting for the examination. He then spent three dreary years in a broker's office, and then deserted the city to study at the Slade School of Art, which, curiously enough, has turned out many well-known writers.

Mr. Capes gained his first big success in 1896, when he won a prize of $3,000 offered by an American firm for stories of mystery. This set him on the road to fame, and his subsequent work has gained the encomiums of the foremost literary critics

Will Carry Colors.

The King's colors are to be carried by such units of the Australian forces as would be permitted to hold them if they were attached to the fighting forces of the United Kingdom. The King's colors of every regiment are to be the great union in which the Cross of St. George is contrived with the crosses of St. Andrew and St. Patrick on a blue field, as modified by her Majesty Queen Victoria in 1900. The first color is to bear in the centre the territorial designation on a crimson circle with the royal or other title within the whole, surmounted by the Imperial crown.

Must Keep to Paths.

Pedestrians must not walk along the thoroughfares in Calcutta, where there are sufficiently wide footpaths provided. An order of the Commissioner of Police to this effect comes into force on the first of the year. Notification, by beat of drum, is now being made throughout the city.

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THE PANAMA AND CANADA

A WRITER in the Toronto Monetary Times has been pointing out the many advantages which western Canada will reap on the completion of the Panama Canal. To western Canada the Atlantic coast of America and Europe will be brought nearer by eight thousand miles, which means from thirty to forty days in time, for freight steamers. To the east coast of Canada it will mean that a shorter route to Australia and the Orient will be opened up. The article proceeds:

"Last year Canada exported breadstuffs to the value of $122,064,625. Of this amount only $4,123,958 went to her great neighbour the United States. To Great Britain she sent $103,108,519 worth, while all other countries took $15,832,148. In wheat alone she exported to Great Britain $75,729,594, in flour $12,155,572. Let us consider how the opening of the Panama Canal will effect that trade.

From Halifax to St. John the open winter ports on the Atlantic side are from 1800 to 3500 miles from the greatest wheat growing sections of the country. Montreal, the most inland seaharbour, is closed for practically all winter navigation. The great wheat growing provinces are Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta. Three railways are available to take the enormous harvest of these provinces to the eastern seaports before navigation on the lakes and at Montreal closes. Naturally, a car shortage, a grain blockade, results, and thousands of bushels of wheat are lost to the farmers for lack of transportation facilities. What will be the situation when the Panama Canal offers a new route to Liverpool? The Pacific ports are only from 600 to 1000 miles from the same wheat centres, and are open all the year round. Instead of shipping their wheat east the farmers will ship by the much shorter overland haul to the western ports. Here huge elevators will spring up as the demand arises and vessels from Vancouver and Prince Rupert will take, this grain by the cheaper water route to it's destination. The Canadian railways are alive to the situation and we find them lowering their grades over the Rockies, tunnelling mountains and establishing ports on the Pacific preparatory to hauling the agricultural products of the great prairie sections westward instead of eastward, as heretofore. Let railway rates to the Pacific be equitably adjusted and the Canadian farmers will save not less than 25c per bushel in the transportation to Liverpool of their great crop of wheat, which by the time the canal is opened, will probably amount to 350,000,000 bushels annually in the three provinces named. This saving however, is only that incident to the cheaper transportation. The grain in having an all the year open route preventing losses heretofore incurred because of congestion of traffic due to the rush in the autumn season, will be still greater. If the opening of the Panama Canal had no other effect on Canadian interests than the increased facility for marketing the agricultural products of this section, it's value would be inestimable. The three provinces can be made to produce ten times their present crop of wheat, and in considering the eventual benefits to be derived, future as well as present development must be taken into consideration".

As will be seen, the foregoing article deals only with the shipping of grain and the saving on that transaction, but there is no doubt whatever that the canal when working will materially aid western Canada in many respects. For one thing it is bound to give a fillip to the value of farm lands. There will be less anxiety in the shipping of the crop and it will be able to get on the market much sooner, which will mean gain to the producer, hence the increased value of the production will mean the enhanced value of the land from which it is produced. Land always goes up in price at the advent of a railway which brings with it additional shipping facilities, but the benefits of the canal will be of such a pronounced and unmistakable nature, giving as it will, greater shipping and transportation facilities, that the value of farm property is bound to be enhanced.

NEW RANCH REGULATIONS

THE new regulations relating to ranching in the three prairie provinces were adopted by the cabinet at Ottawa on Saturday, February 14th, and contain much that is of general interest.

The regulations apply to no set party of the provinces being active over the three. Application for grazing leases on any land will be granted after the land has been inspected, so as to determine whether it is grazing or agricultural land, and if the farmers adjoining such grazing land wish that the land shall be left open as a common, for the purpose of their stock, no lease will be granted.

All areas under lease must be fenced by the lessees, although existing leases will not be disturbed, new leases will be granted for a term of ten years. For every thirty acres, lessees will be required to have one head of horse, or cattle, or five sheep, except in such cases as when the inspectors believe that the land in question will not stand that amount of stock, and then they will name the number which they consider as sufficient. On the other hand if it is thought that the land will support more stock, the department may request additional stock. Five per cent at least of the stock must be placed on the area granted and at least thirty per cent must be breeding stock.

There is a clause which provides that the holder of an unpatented homestead which is examined and found unfit for agricultural purposes may sell his improvements to the rancher. He can also be granted the right to reenter for other lands, and the purchaser may apply for a lease of the abandoned homestead. The holder of the lease has, at it's expiration, the first right to renewal on complying with the regulations, a lease may not be assigned without the consent of the minister, and the assignment will not be allowed unless the lessee can show that he has complied with the regulations requiring that one third of the stock has been placed on the tract.

Buildings and corrals may be constructed by a lessee of four sections but he is not allowed any vested rights other than improvements in the land. Should the principal of leasing be abandoned the lessee has first right to buy a half section in which his improvements are situated, the price of same not to be less than $3 per acre. Hay on a leasehold cannot be sold by a lessee, although he is entitled to use it. He may also cultivate any of the land for winter feed although he has no right to dispose of it.

A COLD DAY STORY

ON days such as this, when the wind cold and cutting, drives the scurrying snowflakes before it, to leave them in deceptive drifts along the edge of the sidewalks or piled round the doorways of the stores, it is invariable that one finds the few farmers who have braved the storm sitting round some store stove recalling past winters of such a nature. The stories and yarns of old pioneering days which they spin, for these generally follow the parallels regarding the weather, are worth listening to. The storekeeper is seldom too busy to join the group and listen to what is going.

There is a man who lives not a hundred miles from this office who has enlivened what would otherwise have been dull afternoons by his yarning.

At one time he was a more adventurous man than he is to-day. That was when the law wasn't quite so strong, or so firmly established as it is to day, and it was on the other side of the line.

He must have been a fine fellow too, with all his freebooting instincts, for he was one of the number of men who served under the banner of a certain outlaw, an American Robin Hood, who plied his powder and bullet in place of the old fashioned bow and arrow of the ruler of Sherwood forest. Like the immortal friend of Friar Tuck, this American sample went about looting to the end that the poor might be the gainers, and many are the families he reimbursed, always at the expense of the travelling public or quiet farmer, sometimes to the chagrin of the storekeeper. But to whatever end his gains were put, were not the poor benefitted, what mattered it then that one man, more or less, should be laid low?

Then there were the expeditions when this great individual, who knew no rival, would ride at the head of his little band into a saloon and order what drinks were required by shooting the necks from the particular bottles. But perhaps his greatest adventure was when he met, at a saloon bar, another outlaw, who claimed to be as great as he, and the despot of of that particular state. Without hesitation they fired at one another. Both fell, and the hero of the story ordered one of his hands to take his boots off, to the end that he might not die in them, as his father had prophesied, and so make the old gentleman out to be a pervertor of the truth. Each man was lodged in a separate hotel until such time as they might be recovered, but the hero sent across to his rival to say that he would bet him five hundred dollars that he would be up and about first. The bet was accepted, and the rival won. The matter of pre eminence in that state was reached by conciliation, both men promising that neither should wear the "belt" while the other was in that territory.

What eventully happened to the hero of these yarns is uncertain, for his life always occupied the time of the teller of them.

But they were rare stories to listen to on days such as this. One forgot the wind and snow.

A new evening paper will be published in Montreal and will be edited by the gentleman who started the graft investigation in Quebec.

Give us Alberta weather every time in preference to that of California, where the rainfall is so excessive this winter that railway tracks, roadways and streets have been destroyed by floods.

Scene, the editor's office. Enter the chatty visitor. Editor, "Hello, any news in your district?" "Not as I knows of, any with you?" "Nothing, except that a man has just been in and paid his subscription." "Gee! Well that lets up the financial stringency some, anyhow."

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ESTRAY—Strayed from town. One black sow, weight about 200 lbs. Anyone hearing of same kindly communicate with F. Nicholson, Vulcan F14t

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Local And General News

Be sure and write it ALBERTA.

$150,000 will be expended for oil drilling west of Olds.

It cost the C. N. R. $45,000 per mile for construction while the G. T. P's. fixed charges are at least $85,000 a mile.

Mowbray Berkly backed by English capitalists will commence drilling for oil in section 11-23-5 west of Sarcee Reserve.

A man living near London, Ont., was found frozen to death at his home. When found he had several thousands of dollars in cash secreted about his clothing.

There is room in Alberta for a million more hens and hogs.

Sir James Whitney insisted on occupying his seat in the Provincial House at Toronto on Feb. 16th. His doctors, however, prevailed upon him to remain at home and prolong his life.

The town of Blairmore with a population of about 2000 has dispensed with the town policeman. This is done in order to curtail the running expenses of the town until such time as the town can support such official

The village of Holstein, Ontario, was saved from being wiped out by fire through the heroic efforts of fifty women who formed a bucket brigade. The fire was caused by the exploding of a lantern in a hay loft. The women passed the water to the men, who kept all the houses adjoining the fire soaked. Every woman had badly blistered hands.

Mens Fine Shirts regular price $1.25 for $75c—Spooners.

Wedding Dance

On Friday evening last the Shimp Hall was the scene of a wedding dance, the best yet in this district, so the critics say. The occasion was the marriage of Mr. Ole Hanson and Miss Grace Swann, which had taken place in Calgary two days ago. The Carmangay orchestra came down and supplied the music, and the invitation to the dance was given to one and all who cared to avail themselves of Mr. Hanson's hospitality. The result was that when dancing commenced about nine o'clock there was a splendid attendance.

The dance was opened by the bride and bridegroom and their attendants and then the guests joined in.

The dancing continued until four o'clock the next morning. Supper was served during the evening.

The morning after is perhaps the time to get the general opinion as to the success of an affair of this description, and one and all who were present testified to the dance being one of the most enjoyable which they have attended this season. Everybody joins in wishing the newly married couple much happiness. The friends present made the bride and bridegroom the substantial wedding present of $71.

Armada Notes

With deep regret do we record the death of our much respected citizen, Rev. James Cotton, whose cheerful countenance and kindly greetings were always a source of encouragement to all who came in his sphere. Although a disciple of the Church of United Brethren he knew no creed but the one Christian faith, the one mission work and the one eternal goal for humanity. His was a life of sacrifice, the burden was heavy but was born patiently. He laboured on his farm by day and too often journeyed many miles by night that the Christ—not Mammon—should reign. He was a true friend, an honored father, and a kind, affectionate husband. Scarcely eleven days elapsed from the time the grim reaper knocked at the door until death, by his agent, blood poison, claimed his victory, and after a most painful sickness, life passed peacefully away.

Just as one layeth
His worn out robes away,
And taketh new ones, saying
These will I wear today,
So putt th by the Spirit
Lightly his garb of flesh,
And passeth to inherit
A residence afresh.

The continued lowering of mercury, apparently, has had no effect upon the vigour of our district fathers, for, in spite of church and state, the slashing plan of retrenchments still proceeds.

The hoisting of the school flag on Monday morning signalled the the recommencement of "Sunny Plain School" at 20 20.

When Lord Tennison wrote "Ring out, wild bells" he had no reference to the sleighing parties round Armada; here Hain't no bells!

That our people are artists true and original is duly amplified in many different gorgeous designs and patterns in sleds used in the district. Each possesses it's own special merit for comfort, utility and speed.

Reid Hill

Mr. A F. Whitney, who had the misfortune to have his house burnt down some weeks ago has rebuilt and is now residing in the new house.

Brother C. F. Tubbs, of Grand Forks, North Dakota, has left Reid Hill for Nobleford, and from there he will return to his home. He conducted a weeks evangelical services in the Sunny Glen school house in the interests of the Church of God. The meetings were well attended and the speaker ably expounded the great way of salvation Brother Tubbs came to Reid Hill from Edmonton where he had been in attendance at the general assembly of the Church of God.

A large concourse of people gathered at the Reid Hill cemetry on Sunday last to pay their respects to the remains of the Rev. James P. Cotton who died at his home across the valley, from bloodpoisoning. Mr. Cotton had been well known and very highly respected in Reid Hill district, and his loss will be felt very keenly among those who knew him

Mr. Mark de Witt has commenced work on the James Row place for the season.

Miss Lottie Smith returned from Calgary on Friday last.

A heroic rescue was made by Errick Braund aged fifteen years, last week. A little girl aged eleven, had fallen through the ice into the Assiniboine River, Winnipeg. Swimming for ten feet under the ice, Errick took hold of the girl brought her to the opening and hoisted her out of the water when she was taken hold of. Neither the girl or the boy seem the worse for their adventure

Champion Items

Mrs. E. Seal was a visitor to Carmangay last week.

The Literary Society, which met last Wednesday, debated the question as to whether machinery was generally beneficial to man. The question was decided in the affirmative, Mr Geo. Edwards leading.

The meeting was well attended, but it is hoped that the next gathering will see a larger gathering still. The topic for the next debate is: "Resolved that woman suffrage is both just and desirable." The affirmative will be taken by Mrs M Clever, and the negative by Mr. Hans Rue. We hope to report the results in our next issue.

Mr A A Adams was a Calgary visitor last week, having business there in conuection with the five cars of hogs which was shipped by the firm of Messrs Adams Brothers to that city.

Born, to Mr and Mrs Hans Rue, on February 16th, a girl.

The show which was given in Miller Hall by Mr West and Miss Henry, of New York fame, was largely attended and very successful. After the performance a dance was held to which a great many people stayed.

The Champion Junior hockey team journeyed down to Carmangay on Saturday of last week, and played the Carmangay Juniors The game which was of an exciting nature, but good and clean, ended in a draw, each side registering four goals.

The masquerade dance which was given on February 13th was a decided success. A great number of persons were present, and they were almost all masked, and the costumes were many and varied. The first prize went to Mr. Clever and Miss Harper for their representation of George and Lady Washington; Miss Adams as Bo Peep, and Mr. J Harper as Grandpa got the second prize, and Messrs Moffatt and Kelly took third for their get-up as Mutt and Jeff.

The Misses Adams and Moffatt were Carmangay visitors on Saturday of last week.

One of the things which you must remember—The dance in the Miller Hall on February 27th. Everybody welcome.

Con Petre of the R.N.W.P., stationed at Vulcan, was in Champion on Friday and Saturday of last week on account of the Galloway and Kost Bros. dispute. A fuller report appears elsewhere in these columns.

Blackie News

Change of train service as follows: going north 7:25 p m. going south 10:20 a. m. daily except Sundays.

There were 3 cars of hogs shipped from here this week by F Rockafellow W. W. Boyd and S. Wyatt.

All are invited to attend the Sunday School every Sunday at 11 a. m. The school is fortunate in having a good staff of teachers. Every one is welcome. Service as usual every Sunday evening at 7:30.

Notwithstanding the cold weather business in Blackie the past week was very brisk.

$7.40 per 100 lbs. was the price paid for live hogs this week. Farmers would do well to consult the Blackie market prices.

B. J. Parrott has left for an extended trip to Ontario and other points.

The numerous friends of Jake Stur will be glad to hear that he is well on the way to recovery after his recent serious illness.

The following were Calgary visitors this week F Rockafellow, W. J. Montgomery, L. Leacock, and L. L McDonald.

H. N. Sheppard and Mr. Hunt, of High River, were Blackie visitors this week.

To give the people of this vicinity an idea of the trading at this point the following figures will be found to be accurate and interesting. Exports for the month of January 1914; 500 head of hogs, 16 head of cattle, 2,110 gallons of milk, 400 gallons of cream, 1000 lbs. of poultry, 26 cars of grain.

A very enthusiastic meeting of the Farmers Co-operation Elevator Co. was held on Saturday in the schoolhouse. The place was crowded and the speaker was Dr. Shamburger. It is almost a sure thing that an elevator will be built at this point as there is over 100 shares already subscribed for.

Blackie markets; Eggs 40c per doz., Butter 25c per lb., Hogs $7.40 per 100 lbs.

A number of the Blackie folks attended the dance at Frankburg Feb. 13th, and everybody enjoyed a good time.

Blackie on Saturday resembled a minature city, there being people in from all directions and business was exceedingly brisk.

The members of the Lethbridge Board of Trade have original ideas and when they have a good one they lose no time in proclaiming it to the world. The latest idea is to discontinue the use of the abbreviation "Alta." "Alberta" they claim is both significant and euphonious and may become a trademark of great value in marketing the products of the country, while "Alta" is inconsequential. In order to popularize the use of the full name "Alberta" they ask the people of Alberta, all commercial organizations, banks, railroads, publications, schools, governmental departments, to co-operate in the use of the full name, "Alberta" not a bad idea is it?

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Consisting of 30 head of Milch Cows, several in milk and several coming in soon, and mostly of Shorthorn breeding. These are an excellent bunch. 20 head Yearling Heifers and Steers, and 1 good Holstein Bull, 2 years old.

Persons looking for either horses or cattle will do well to attend this sale. Mr. Murphy, being overstocked, will sell the horses and cattle without reserve.

TRAINS for Blackie leave Calgary at 8.50 a.m., and arrives at 10.30, and the morning train from Macleod connects at Aldersyde for Blackie.

SALE WILL COMMENCE AT 12 O'CLOCK SHARP.
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Committed For Trial

James O'Brien and half a dozen other aliases, the suspected safe robber, had his preliminary hearing Thursday afternoon at Medicine Hat before Inspector Shoebotham and James Rae, J.P., on the charge of stealing the strong box and over $500 in money and cheques from the Cecil hotel on the night of January 26th. The prisoner is conducting his own defence and manifests a very apt knowledge of criminal proceedure. N. McLarty appeared for the crown,

H. Joslin, manager of the Cecil, was the first witness called. He told of coming into his private office about 8.30 on the evening in question and finding the accused sitting there. Asked what he was doing there, the man answered by asking for a bartender's job, and on being told there were no vacancies, asked permission to leave his name and address. Mr. Joslin gave him a sheet of paper and then went back to the dining room. Coming into the office later on to lock up for the night witness found that the small strong box of the safe had been taken out by forcing off the partitions which held it in place and carried away. A window which had been ordinarily locked was found a trifle raised.

O'Brien was committed for trial after the bell boys at the Assiniboa hotel testified to his having left in in room 206 of that hostelry a pair of gloves and a safe key which Mr. Joslyn identified as having been taken from the Cecil when the safe was robbed.

Dental Care For Children

Pupils of the public schools of Edmonton will have dental work done at the expense of the municipality in the future. The board of education has accepted an offer of the services of 25 members of the Edmonton Dental association a half day every month without charge. The board will furnish equipment and materials used, also provide rooms in one of the hospitals or schools. S. A. Gordon Barnes, a member of the school board, announced today that the dental department will be in operation before the close of the month. The enrollment in the public schools of Edmonton is more than 10,000. Every child's teeth will be examined. The work will be done by experienced practitioners, each patient receiving the same attention that is required in regular practice. The plan is to install a complete dental ward.

Weed Inspectors To Meet

The Department of Agriculture has made arrangements to hold three Weed Inspectors Conventions at the following places and dates:—

Claresholm, March 3rd and 4th
Olds, March 5th and 6th
Vermillion, March 12th and 13th

The railway transportation will be paid by the Agricultural Department for one Inspector or delegate from each Rural Municipality or Local Improvement District, providing the council of said district, intend to control the weeds within their boundaries. All government inspectors will be requested to attend. The purpose of these conventions is to take up the identification and eradication of all noxious weeds and a general uniformity of inspection work.

THE WINDOW AT THE WHITE CAT

By Mary Roberts Rinehart

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(Continued)

Prove Wardrop innocent, I reasoned with myself, get to the bottom of this thing, and then it would be man and man, a fair field and no favor. I suppose my proper attitude romantically taken was to consider Margery's engagement ring an indissoluble barrier. But this was not romance. I was fighting for my life happiness, and as to the ring—well, I am of opinion that if a man really loves a woman and thinks he can make her happy he will tell her so if she is strung with engagement rings to the ends of her fingers. Dangerous doctrine? Well, this is not propaganda.

Tuesday found us all more normal. Margery went with me along the hall when I started for the office.

You have not learned anything? she asked.

Not much, I evaded. Nothing definite, anyhow. Margery, you are not going back to the Monmouth avenue house again, are you?

Not just yet. I don't think I could but I suppose later it will have to be sold, but not at once. I shall go to Aunt Letitia's first.

Very well, I said. Then you are going to take a walk with me this afternoon in the park. I won't take no; you need the exercise, and I need—to talk to you.

When she had agreed I went to the office. Burton was there. He had struck up an acquaintance with Miss Grant, the stenographer, and that usually frigid person had melted under the warmth of his red hair and his smile. She was telling him about her sister's baby having the whooping cough.

When we had gone into the inner office and shut out Miss Grant and the whooping cough he was serious instantly.

Well, he said, I guess we've got Wardrop for theft, anyhow.

Theft? I inquired.

Well, larceny, if you prefer legal terms. I found where he sold the pearls—in Plattsburg, to a wholesale jeweler named, suggestively, Cashdollar.

Then, I said conclusively, he took the pearls and sold them, as sure as I sit here he took the money out of that Russia leather bag.

I'm not so darned sure of it, said Burton calmly.

If he had any reason he refused to give it. I told him, in my turn, of Carter's escape, aided by the police, and he smiled. For a suicide it's causing a lot of excitement, he remarked. When I told him the little incident of the postoffice he was much interested.

The old lady's in it somehow, he maintained. She may have been lending Fleming money, for one thing. How do you know it wasn't her hundred thousand that was stolen?

There's only one thing to do, and that is find Miss Jane. If she's alive she can tell something. If Miss Jane is dead— well, somebody killed her and it's time it was being found out.

It's easy enough to find her, he exploded. Make a noise about it. Send up rockets. Put a half column ad. in every paper in town, or better still give the story to the reporters and let them find her for you. Describe her—how she walked, what she liked to eat, what she wore; in this case what she didn't wear. In forty-eight hours she will have been seen in a hundred different places and one will be right. It will be a question of selection—that is, if she is alive.

The publicity part of it I left to him, and I sent a special delivery that morning to Bellwood asking Miss Letitia to say nothing and to refer reporters to me. I had already been beseiged with them since my connection with the Fleming case, and a few more made no difference.

Burton attended to the matter thoroughly. The 1 o'clock edition of an afternoon paper contained a short and vivid scarlet account of Miss Jane's disappearance. The evening editions were full, and while vague as to the manner of her leaving, were minute as regarded her personal appearance and characteristics.

To escape the threatened inundation of the morning paper men, I left the office early, and at 4 o'clock Margery and I stepped from a hill car into the park.

I wish some one depended on me, she said pensively. It's a terrible thing to feel that it doesn't matter to any one—not vitally, anyhow—whether one is around or not. To have all my responsibilities taken away at once and just to drift around like this—oh, it's dreadful. Besides my father, there was only one person in the world who cared about me, and I don't know where she is. Dear Aunt Jane!

The sunlight caught the ring on her engagement finger, and she flushed suddenly as she saw me looking at it. We sat there for a while saying nothing. The long May afternoon was coming to a close. The paths began to fill with long lines of hurrying home-seekers, their day in office or factory at an end.

Then impulsively she held out her hand to me.

You have been more than kind to me, she said hurriedly. You have taken me into your home—and helped me through these dreadful days—and I will never forget it. Never!

I am not virtuous, I replied, looking down at her. I couldn't help it. You walked into my life when you came to my office—was it only last week? The evil days are coming, I suppose, but just now nothing matters at all, save that you are you, and I am I.

She dropped her veil quickly, and we went back to the car. The prosaic world wrapped us around again. There was a heavy odor of restaurant coffee in the air. People bumped and jolted past us. To me they were only shadows. The real world was a girl in black and myself, and the girl wore a betrothel ring which was not mine.

Mrs. Butler came down to dinner that night. She was more cheerful than I had yet seen her, and she had changed her mourning garments to something a trifle less depressing. With her masses of hair dressed high and her face slightly animated, I realized what I had not done before, that she was the wreck of a very beautiful woman.

She used a cane when she walked, and after dinner in the library she was content to sit impassive, detached, propped with cushions, while Margery read to the boys in their night nursery and Edith embroidered.

Fred had been fussing over a play for some time, and he had gone to read it to some manager or other. Edith already was spending the royalties.

We could go a little ways out of town, she was saying, and we could have an automobile. Margery says theirs will be sold, and certainly it will be a bargain.

Near me Mrs. Butler had languidly taken up the paper. Suddenly she dropped it, and when I stooped and picked it up I noticed she was trembling.

Is it true? she demanded. Is Robert Clarkson dead?

Yes, I assented. He has been dead since Sunday morning—a suicide.

I'm glad, glad, she said. Then she grew weak and semi-hysterical, laughing and crying in the same breath. When she had been helped upstairs—for in her weakened state it had been more of a shock than we realized—Margery came down, and we tried to forget the scene we had just gone through.

It was strange to contrast the way in which the two women took their similar bereavements. Margery represented the best type of normal American womanhood, Ellen Butler the neurasthenic; she demanded everything by her very helplessness and timidity. She was a constant drain on Edith's ready sympathy. That night while I closed the house—Fred had not come in—I advised her to let Mrs. Butler go back to her sanatorium.

At 12.30 I was still downstairs. Fred was out, and I waited for him, being curious to know the verdict on the play. The bell rang a few minutes before 1 and I went to the door. Somebody in the vestibule was tapping the door impatiently with his foot. When I opened the door I was surprised to find that the late visitor was Wardrop. His eyes were sunk deep in his head, his reddened lids and twitching mouth told of little sleep, of nerves ready to snap.

I'm glad it's you, he said, by way of greeting. I was afraid you'd have gone to bed.

It's the top of the evening yet, I replied perfunctorily as I led the way into the library. Once inside, Wardrop closed the door and looked around him like an animal at bay.

(To be Continued)

COULD NOT PUT HANDS IN WATER

Salt Rheum Began with Itching and Burning. Watery Pimples. Cuticura Soap and Ointment Cured in Two Weeks.

L'Anse à Brillant, Que.— "I suffered with salt rheum for nine months. It began by itching and burning and my hands broke out in watery pimples and I could not sleep, only scratch my hands and they would bleed. The pimples were small and white, about the size of pin heads filled with water. I could not put my hands in water at all.

"I tried ——, —— and —— but found no relief until I used Cuticura Soap and Ointment. I put the Cuticura Ointment on my hands after washing them with the Cuticura Soap and in two weeks they were perfectly cured." (Signed) Miss Bridget A. Briand, May 17, 1913.

FOR PIMPLES AND BLACKHEADS

The following is a most effective and economical treatment: Gently smear the affected parts with Cuticura Ointment, on the end of the finger, but do not rub. Wash off the Cuticura Ointment in five minutes with Cuticura Soap and hot water and continue bathing for some minutes. This treatment is best on rising and retiring. At other times use Cuticura Soap freely for the toilet and bath, to assist in preventing inflammation, irritation and clogging of the pores. Cuticura Soap and Ointment sold everywhere. For liberal free sample of each, with 32-p. book, send post-card to Potter Drug & Chem. Corp., Dept. D, Boston, U. S. A.

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The man inside—Well, what do you want?

The Idiot—I just rang your bell to tell you that one of your windows is unfastened and wide open.

The Man inside—Heavens! Which one?

The Idiot—The one you're looking out of!

Couldn't Stand the Shock

Maude—Poor Mrs. Fraies fainted on a street car.

Edith—Crowded car, I suppose, and the poor thing had to stand up until she collapsed.

Maude—No; on the contrary, every man in the car arose and offered his seat when she entered, and she swooned.

Von Ratz—Yer know, I haven't paid out a cent for repairs on my old car.

O'Catz—Yes, so the owner of De Stew's garage told me.

In the Public Eye

After all, the train was only forty minutes behind time, so the stationmaster was perfectly justified in feeling pleased with himself, the railway, and the world in general.

A solitary waiting passenger was morbidly weighing himself at an automatic machine, and when he stepped off it the jovial official proceeded to talk to him.

Wonderful thing the railway system sir! he chirped. I do really believe that even the general public is at last beginning to realize the marvelous improvements that have taken place on this line in recent years!

That's true, answered the morbid one. I know of no line that has so many things constantly in the public eye as this one!

The station-master was delighted. I am more than glad to hear you say so, sir, he chuckled, rubbing his hands together. And would you mind naming them?

The waiting passenger looked pensively down the platform.

Cinders! said he.

Brain Exercise

There has been serious trouble in a certain school. One of the teachers said he was no believer in the old hackneyed system of teaching.

What is wanted, said he, is something which will make the children think and reason for themselves. Mere addition and subtraction are too mechanical.

In accordance with his ideas, he gave his pupils one hundred questions of which the following is a specimen.

What is it that can go up a spout down, but cannot go down a spout up?

The brain fever hospitals thereabouts were full of children for weeks afterwards, and the teacher was dismissed without a character, yet the answer to the riddle was very simple: An umbrella.

What he Said

Counsel—I insist on an answer to my question. You have not told me all the conversation I want to know all that passed between you and Mr. Jones on the occasion to which you refer.

Reluctant witness—I have told you everything of any consequence.

You have told me you said to him: Jones, this case will get into the court some day. Now, I want to know what he said in reply.

Well, he said, Brown, there isn't anything in this business that I'm ashamed of, and if any snooping little yee-hawing, four-by-six, gimlet eyed lawyer, with half a pound of brains and sixteen ounces of jaw, ever wants to know what I've been talking about, just tell him.

The Joke on Father

She had refused him, and he was all in.

Reconsider, Annie, he begged. If you don't I'll blow my brains out.

Huh, said Annie, that would be a good joke on Father, for he thinks you haven't any.

In the Vernacular

Bubbs—Well, how are your New Year's resolutions wearing?

Dubbs—Fine! Had one little puncture, but nothing like a regular blowout.

What the Teacher Taught Him

The small boy had just returned home after a most tumultuous day at school.

What lesson, asked his father, was the most impressed on you today by the teacher?

Dat I need a thicker pair of pants.

Mr. and Mrs. Whiffer never have any arguments.

How does that happen?

Mr. Whiffer won't argue.

The poor woman!

There once was a fresh from Dakota,
Who pined for his girl, so he wrota;
But the poor fellow died
When the dear thing replied
That she'd got a man with a mota.

She Knew

Fashionable lady—Give me five yards of this goods, please.

Clerk—But madam will not need more than half a yard for a veil.

Fashionable lady—I don't want it for a veil. I want it for a dinner gown.

FRIENDLY TIP

Restored Hope and Confidence

After several years of indigestion and its attendant evil influence on the mind, it is not very surprising that one finally loses faith in things generally.

An Eastern woman writes an interesting letter. She says:

"Three years ago I suffered from an attack of peritonitis which left me in a most miserable condition. For over two years I suffered from nervousness, weak heart, shortness of breath, could not sleep, etc.

"My appetite was ravenous but I felt starved all the time. I had plenty of food but it did not nourish me because of intestinal indigestion. Medical treatment did not seem to help. I got discouraged, stopped medicine and did not care much whether I lived or died.

"One day a friend asked me why I didn't try Grape-Nuts food, stop drinking coffee and use Postum. I had lost faith in everything, but to please my friend I began to use both and soon became very fond of them.

"It wasn't long before I got some strength, felt a decided change in my system, hope sprang up in my heart and slowly but surely I got better. I could sleep very well, the constant craving for food ceased and I have better health now than before the attack of peritonitis.

"My husband and I are still using Grape-Nuts and Postum."

Name given by Canadian Postum Co., Windsor, Ont. Read, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs. "There's a Reason."

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

Na-Dru-Co Laxatives

are different in that they do not gripe, purge nor cause nausea, nor does continued use lessen their effectiveness. You can always depend on them. 25c. a box at your Druggist's. 178

National Drug and Chemical Co. of Canada, Limited.

The Man for the Place

Mr. Owealot—One of your references says that you served a term of 30 days in jail. What does that mean?

Applicant—Oh, that was for throwing a collector who dunned my employer, down the stairs.

Mr. Owealot—Good, you are engaged.

The hotel patron had waited fully an hour for a very slow waiter to serve two courses.

Now, brother, he said to the waiter, can you bring me some tomato salad?

Yes, sir, said the waiter.

And, continued the customer, while you're away you might send me a postal card every now and then.

PILES CURED IN 6 TO 14 DAYS

Your druggist will refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure any case of Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles in 6 to 14 days. 50c.

In Luck

Mrs. Henpeck—I suppose you think it smart to talk back to your wife!

Mr. Henpeck—You bet I do! It is not often I get the chance.

What's your wife's brother doing now?

Me. He's lived with us ever since we were married.

Minard's Liniment Cures Garget in Cows

Equal

I saw you playing with the Blitherson boy again this afternoon. Have not I told you a dozen times that you must not do that? He is not a fit companion for you. His people are not our kind.

Yes, they are, mother. He says his father has just mortgaged their house to buy an automobile, too.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury,

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by Druggists. Price, 75c. per bottle. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Where Money Talks

Pop?

Well, Ignatz?

Does money talk?

So the saying goes, my son.

Did you ever hear it?

Oh, yes, Ignatz; I've often heard it jabbering away in the boxes at the opera.

Need Not Worry

She—Oh, dear, here comes that awful Miss Brown. I suppose we'll have to stop while she tells us everything she knows.

He—Oh, well, never mind. That won't take long.

Paid Back

At a station on a Canadian railway there was a very impudent-looking clerk, and, like most impudent fellows he considered himself very smart. It was race day and the booking-office was beseiged by many seedy-looking characters. One of these put down a quarter slightly defaced, which the clerk looked at minutely, rattled on the counter, and then pushed back, with the remark:

It's not genuine. Like yourself, it is the worse for wear.

This angered the next passenger to book, who got back in his change a ten cent piece with a hole in it, and on his expressing an unwillingness to accept it, the official behind the pigeon-hole became very annoyed and flatly refused to take it back. But the gentleman maintained it was defaced worse than the seedy-looking fellow's quarter.

Meanwhile, the argument was causing considerable impatience among those who were waiting to book, and presently a very good-looking young lady, next to the protesting gentleman said:

Take the coin, sir, and I'll give you another ten cent piece or it.

This done, the lady said to the booking-clerk: Single to Winnipeg, and among the coins she put down was the ten cent piece in dispute, which the clerk had to accept amid the guffaws of the bystanders.

Norah Wasn't Alarmed

Norah, said her mistress severely, if you have that policeman in the kitchen again I shall speak to him.

Go as far as ye like, Mum, said Norah, but yez niver git him. We are to be married next Tuesday.

Proof

It is wrong for an old man to marry a young fool.

But how is he to know that she is a fool?

When she says yes to his proposal, he ought to know.

Prof.—A fool can ask more questions than a wise man can answer.

Stude—No wonder so many of us flunk in our exams.

A Free Thinker

Tommy—Paw, what is a free thinker?

Paw—An unmarried man, my son.

The Reason

A little girl of seven or eight years stood one day before a closed gate as a gentleman slowly approached. The little girl turned and said to him:

Will you please open this gate for me?

The gentleman did so. Then he said kindly:

Why, my child, couldn't you open the gate yourself?

Because, said the little girl, the paint's not dry yet.

The Lesser Evil

Briggs—You must have a lot of trouble keeping your wife dressed up in the height of style.

Griggs—Yes, but it's nothing to the trouble I'd have if I didn't.

An Unpopular Name

Miss De Vere, said the lady who was entertaining the popular actress, would you mind telling me what your real name is?

My real name. Oh, yes. It is Tubbs—Sylvia Tubbs. But I hope you will not introduce me to your guests by it.

Oh, no, you needn't be afraid. I'm just as much ashamed of it as you are.

There is no more effective vermifuge on the market than Millers' Worm Powders. They will not only clear the stomach and bowels of worms, but will prove a very serviceable medicine for children in regulating the infantile system and maintaining it in a healthy condition. There is nothing in their composition that will injure the most delicate stomach when directions are followed, and they can be given to children in the full assurance that they will utterly destroy all worms.

Chance to Escape

Papa, now that you have bought Laura a piano, you might buy me a pony.

Why so, Tommy?

Then at least I could go riding when she is playing.

The Bird and the Hyphen

A teacher in a lower grade was instructing her pupils in the use of a hyphen. Among the examples given by the children was bird-cage.

That's right, encouragingly remarked the teacher. Now Paul, tell me why we put a hyphen in bird-cage.

It's for the bird to sit on, was the startling rejoinder.

Single or Double

Gray is certainly a most adaptable talker, said a man. I saw him meet a man from Iowa the other day and in a moment he was launched on a talk about corn. A half-hour afterward he met Thorndike, of Boston, and he knew more about raising beans than did the Bostonian.

That's all right, said Smith. But suppose he had met both men together what would he have talked about then?

Why, succotash.

SAFE AND SURE FOR LITTLE ONES

Baby's Own Tablets are a safe and sure medicine for little ones. They never fail to regulate the bowels, sweeten the stomach and cure all the minor ills of babyhood and childhood. Concerning them, Mrs. Duncan Joy, Vancouver, B.C., writes: "I always keep Baby's Own Tablets in the house and give them to my little one whenever needed, as I think them the safest and surest remedy a mother can give her children. The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Mixed

How do you like my biscuits, hubby? I got the recipe out of a paper.

Well, my dear, I found a button in one and a feather in another. Maybe you got the cooking recipe mixed.

A Valuable Suggestion

We must do something, said the president of the great railroad system, to increase our revenues. Can you suggest anything?

I don't know of any way, replied the treasurer, unless you and the chairman of the board are willing to go into vaudeville or report the world's championship games and turn your salaries in as gross earnings.

How He Did It

How do you always keep the office clock right? the foreman was asked.

I set it in the morning by the time the boss arrives and set it again at noon and night by the time the help quits.

A woman was listening to a long-shoreman as he was delivering himself of a perfect torrent of picturesque language.

My man, she said, where did you learn such awful language.

Learn it, Ma'am? asked the man in surprise. You don't learn it; it's a gift.

Your Wife's Work

is just as trying and important as your own and perhaps more tedious—but is her strength as great?

Women who are nervous and fretful and easily fatigued promptly gain strength and natural energy by taking Scott's Emulsion after meals because it is essentially nourishment—not a drug that stupefies or alcohol that stimulates—there is pure, rich medical nourishment in every drop which nature appropriates to enrich the blood and upbuild the latent forces of the body.

Probably nothing is more popular with physicians for just such conditions than Scott's Emulsion.

Avoid substitutes called "wines", "extracts" or "active principles"—they are not cod liver oil.

Insist on the genuine Scott's

AT ANY DRUG STORE 13-34

The Last Fly

A little fly, the last of summer, buzzed against the pane,
And wept to think that he alone, was destined to remain.
Ah, little fly, I weep for thee, with characteristic ease.
You're left alone to make your moan
(And possibly to freeze).

You comrades gay have disappeared;
they're awaited, I believe,
And you, if I mistake not, for your
comrades deeply grieve.
Ah, little fly, I weep for thee; I will
raise the jovial pane.
Pray do not go—it's bound to snow
(and possibly to rain).

Ah, little fly, I've got you now! Don't
sit and look at me;
Don't sit upon the mantelpiece and rub
your hind legs three.
Ah, little fly, I'm after you, with characteristic swoop!
I've driven you in the Irish stew
(Or possibly in the soup).

Minard's Liniment Cures Colds Etc.

Bottle Sets

Sets of bottles in leather cases should prove attractive to the traveler, says the St. Louis Republic. There are four in a case, and they can be used for scent and so forth. In order to tell at a glance what each bottle contains without taking it out of the case, the stoppers are made of different colored enamel—pink, blue, green and mauve. The case is round and divided into four by-pieces of leather, so that the bottles may not knock together and be broken. The lid fits firmly over and fastens securely with a strap.

Now Easy to Cure Corns

Easy, of course, if you know how. Yes, it is easy if you use Putnam's Painless Corn Extractor. Not caustic, not flesh destroying. No. Putnam's Painless Corn Extractor, its name tells its story, does its work painlessly, acts promptly, and always effective. Largest sale in the world. Sold by druggists. Price 25c.

Corns are caused by the pressure of tight boots, but no one need be troubled with them long when so simple a remedy as Holloway's Corn Cure is available.

The Stronger Sex

Cholly and Algy participated in a disgraceful affair in a cafe.

Anybody hurt?

No.

Then what was disgraceful about it?

Why, a couple of waitresses held them apart.

Foolish Questions

What are you doing, Willie?

Trying to learn the fish in this river what they'll get if they bite on Sunday.

But How Would he Do It?

Mrs. Ashley approached the physician anxiously. How is my husband this morning, Doctor? she asked.

He is a very sick man, Mrs. Ashley, answered the physician impressively.

Oh, Doctor! You don't——

Rest easy, Madam, said the doctor, my treatment will surely straighten him out in less than a week.

How He Got In

I understand Whipple has adopted a political career.

It was the other way about. A political machine adopted Whipple, and now his career is assured.

THAT "Blue" Feeling

When you feel discouraged and all the world seems to be against you—that's your system's way of telegraphing you that something is WRONG and needs HELP.

It may be that your liver is tired and refuses to work, or your digestive organs have had too much to do and need care. Perhaps you have been eating the wrong kind of food, and your blood is too rich or impoverished. What you need is a tonic.

Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery

will give the required aid. Tones the entire system. The weak stomach is made strong. The liver vibrates with new life. The blood is cleansed of all impurities and carries renewed health to every vein and nerve and muscle and organ of the body. No more attacks of the "blues." Life becomes worth while again, and hope takes place of despair.

Insist on getting Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. Sold by dealers in medicines.

President, World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y.

MOTHERS

REMEMBER! The ointment you put on your child's skin gets into the system just as surely as food the child eats. Don't let impure fats and mineral coloring matter (such as many of the cheap ointments contain) get into your child's blood! Zam-Buk is purely herbal. No poisonous coloring. Use it always.

50c. Box at All Druggists and Stores.

USE ONLY ZAM-BUK FOR CHILDREN'S SORES

Up to His Ears

A small negro boy went to a physician to be treated for a painful sensation in one of his ears. The doctor examined and found the ear was full of water.

How did this happen? he asked after he had drained the ear; been going in swimming?

Naw, suh, said the little fellow, been eatin' watermelon!

$25.00 FOR A LETTER

Can You Write One?

Thirteen Prizes to be Awarded in a Letter Writing Competition

Some years ago the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., of Brockville, Ont., offered a series of prizes to residents of the Western Provinces for the best letters describing cures wrought by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. Hundreds of letters were submitted in this competition and yet there must have been thousands of other users of the pills who did not avail themselves of the opportunity to win a prize. To all these another letter writing competition is offered. Thousands of cures through the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have never been reported. These will furnish the material for the letter to be written in this contest. There is no demand upon the imagination; every letter must deal with facts and facts only.

THE PRIZES:

The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., of Brockville, Ont., will award a prize of $25.00 for the best letter received on or before the 1st day of March, 1914, from residents of the Western provinces, on the subject, "Why I Recommend Dr. Williams' Pink Pills." A prize of $10.00 will be awarded for the second best letter received; a prize of $5.00 for the third best letter, and ten prizes of $2.00 each for the next best ten letters.

THE CONDITIONS:

The cure or benefit from the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills described in the letter may be in the writer's own case, or one that has come under his or her personal observation.

More than one cure may be described in the letter, but every statement must be literally and absolutely true.

Every letter must be signed by the full name and correct address of the person sending it. If it describes the cure of some person other than the writer of the letter, it must also be signed by the person whose cure is described as a guarantee of the truth of the statement made.

The writer of each letter must state the name and date of the paper in which he or she saw this announcement.

Fine writing will not win the prize unless you have a good case to describe. The strength of the recommendation and not the style of the letter will be the basis of the award.

It is understood that The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co. shall have the right to publish any letter entered in this contest if they desire to do so whether it wins a prize or not.

The contest will close on March 1st, 1914, and the prizes will be awarded as soon as possible thereafter. Do not delay. If you know of a cure write your letter NOW. Observe the above conditions carefully or your letter may be thrown out.

Address all letters as follows:

The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co.,
Brockville, Ont.
Letter Contest Department.

On Whom was the Joke?

It was the first of April.

Mamma! Mamma! came a piping treble, come quick; there's a strange man in the living-room kissing the waitress.

The mother made a hurried start, but was halted by her gay little son, who cried exultingly: April Fool! It's only Papa!

Trouble Assured

What are you going to call the new baby?

Reginald Claude, replied Mr. Bliggins.

Isn't "Reginald Claude" a rather affected name?

Yes. I want him to grow up to be a fighter, and I fancy that "Reginald Claude" will start something every time he goes to a new school.

Making Conversation

Smith (on steamer in mid-ocean)—Going across, old chap?

Brown—Yes, are you?

Try Murine Eye Remedy

If you have Red, Weak, Watery Eyes or Granulated Eyelids. Doesn't Smart—Soothes Eye Pain. Druggists Sell Murine Eye Remedy, Liquid, 25c, 50c. Murine Eye Salve in Aseptic Tubes, 25c, 50c. Eye Books Free by Mail. An Eye Tonic Good for All Eyes that Need Care. Murine Eye Remedy Co., Chicago

SHOWS CANADA'S WEALTH

C.P.R. Natural Resources Department Opens Exhibit

An excellent guide to the natural wealth of Eastern and Western Canada is afforded by the exhibit of the Land Branch of the Natural Resources Department of the Canadian Pacific Railway, which has just been formally opened in the Windsor station building, at Montreal. The exhibit, of which Mr. E. J. Martin is in charge, consists of samples of grain, fruit, wood, game and fish as well as many other features of interest as well to the prospective settler as to the student of Canada.

A large part of the exhibit was shown at Chicago and other parts of the United States, but is now concompletely installed in Montreal, where the collection will be on view to the public until a portion of it is taken to the Panama Pacific Exposition at San Francisco next year. Among the models, which are of particular interest, is one of the C.P.R. demonstration farms at Strathmore, where instruction is given to the farmers. A relief map of the irrigation area is also of value, the plan for the improvement of the land being clearly shown. The area is over three times as large as any other on the continent, extending from Medicine Hat on the east to Calgary on the West. The western section has already been sold, this comprising about 1,000,000 acres, while the remainder, about 2,000,000 acres, will be placed on the market shortly. The amount sold to each settler varies from 80 acres to two sections, one-twentieth of the price being paid in cash. The company also lends the farmer a sum of $2,000 for improvements on the 20 year policy, and after he has been on the land 12 months another $1,000 for the purchase of stock.

One of the exhibits shows the evolution of a loaf of bread, the various stages from the virgin prairie to the wheat and flour and finally the bread being given. Tobacco leaf and the finished cigars from British Columbia are also shown, the tobacco being grown at Kelowna.

Attention is also devoted to the resources of Eastern Canada, a very fine exhibit of fish and minerals being shown, while many of the big game specimens in the centre of the room are also common to the east. Of the fish, which are attractively mounted in a case at the end of the hall, are specimens of trout, bass, pickerel and pike. Among the minerals shown are copper, iron, silver and lead. There are also some very fine pieces of ornamental lim stone and black marble. The wealth of the east in asbestos is demonstrated by a number of excellent samples.

The Western Canada mineral exhibit includes zinc, gold and silver and silver and lead. There is coal from Alberta, including many kinds from the soft to the anthracite. Alberta is also represented by an excellent exhibit of grains, including wheat, oats, barley, flax and rye. One of the cases shows a sample of Premost flax, which won the first prize in competition against the world at the Dry Farming Congress at Lethbridge. The yield was 28 bushels to the acre. There is also a large exhibit of alfalfa, which is regarded as the coming crop of Alberta. The alfalfa shown is the second crop in the one season.

The big game exhibit, which occupies the central portion of the hall, consists of fine specimens of moose, deer, black and grizzly bear, wolves and caribou. One moose head has a spread of 74 inches across the horns.

Among other specimens of the natural resources of the Dominion shown is a sample of oil from Calgary. There is also a tank of natural gas from Medicine Hat, which gas is supplied to the residents of the western town at the unusually low rate of 5 cents per 1,000 cubic feet.

To Asthma Sufferers. Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Asthma Remedy comes like a helping hand to a sinking swimmer. It gives new life and hope by curing his trouble—something he has come to believe impossible. Its benefit is too evident to be questioned—it is its own best argument. If you suffer from asthma get this time-tried remedy and find help like thousands of others.

Progress

There once was an artist Emu,
Who painted the folks in the Zu;
But his work never sold,
For his method was
And it had to be done by a Gnu.

Added Zest

Madge—I never thought you were the kind of girl who would take pleasure in listening to a divorce case.

Marjorie—But, my dear, I happened to know the correspondent.

Shiloh 25¢

The family remedy for Coughs and Colds—Small dose. Small bottle. Best since 1870.

The Exception

First married man—Is there ever an occasion when everything at your dinner table is stone-cold?

Second married man—No, not everything. We always manage to have a heated argument.

She Didn't Want It

A playwright of my acquaintance sat in the front row on a first night of a new piece of his own. The play was a complete failure. As my friend sat pale and sad, amid the hisses, a woman sitting behind him leant forward and said:

Excuse me, sir; but, knowing you to be the author of this play, I took the liberty, at the beginning of the performance of snipping off a lock of your hair. Allow me to return it to you.

They had just renewed their acquaintance after five years.

'Pon my word, Miss Weatherby, he said frankly. I should hardly have known you, you have altered so much.

For the better or for the worse? she asked with an arch look.

Ah, my dear girl, he said gallantly, you could only change for the better!

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NERVILINE HAS NEVER FAILED TO CURE

Don't suffer!

Nerviline is your relief.

Nerviline just rubbed on, lots of it, will ease that drawn, tight feeling over your ribs, will destroy the pain, will have you smiling and happy in no time.

"I caught cold last week while motoring," writes P. T. Mallery, from Linden. "My chest was full of congestion, my throat was mighty sore, and I had the fiercest stitch in my side you could imagine. As a boy I was accustomed to have my mother use Nerviline for all our minor ailments, and remembering what confidence she had in Nerviline, I sent out for a bottle at once. Between noon and eight o'clock I had a whole bottle rubbed on, and then got into a perspiration under the blankets. This drove the Nerviline in good and deep, and I woke up next morning fresh as a dollar and absolutely cured. Nerviline is now always part of my travelling kit, and I will never be without it."

The large 50c. family size bottle is the most economical, or you can easily get the 25c. trial size from any dealer.

His Choice

McMasters was all business. He was walking with a beautiful girl in a wild New England wood.

What is your favorite flower, Mr. McMasters? the girl asked softly.

McMasters thought a moment, then cleared his throat and answered: Well, I believe I like the whole wheat best.

It Sounded Like It

A young girl from a country town went to a city boarding school, much against the wishes of her father, who thought she would be spoiled by city ways.

Soon she wrote in one of her letters: I am in love with ping-pong.

The mother read the letter aloud to her father, who turned angrily upon her, saying: Well, you see I was right. I knew no good would come of her going to the city. Now, you see she has got in with one of those danged Chinamen.

Artistry

Clubber—Mr. and Mrs. Del Reno are in the lower box over there. Have they made up again?

Rubber (using his glasses)—She has, at any rate.

Exhilarating Sport

First tourist abroad—Ha, ha, ha! This is worth all the time, money and bother I have spent over here!

Second ditto—How's that?

First tourist—I deliberately kissed the little servant maid with the worst gossip in town looking on. There she is over there telling my wife about it, and the old lady can't understand a word of the language.

Minard's Liniment Co., Limited.

Gentlemen,—I have used MINARD'S LINIMENT from time to time for the past twenty years. It was recommended to me by a prominent physician of Montreal, who called it the "great Nova Scotia Liniment." It does the doctor's work; it is particularly good in cases of Rheumatism and Sprains.

Yours truly,
G. G. DUSTAN,
Chartered Accountant.
Halifax, N.S., Sept. 21, 1905.

A Matter of Taste

I like your cheek! the maiden said,
For he had kissed her rather crudely.
The man both saw and tasted red.
I don't like yours, she answered rudely.

A Specific

This medicine, the druggist said,
Is really very fine—
One of the sicks best sellers—
Though we've others in our line.

In 1925

What's the trouble now? demanded the janitor. More heat?

No, said the tenant of the latest skyscraper; but I want those clouds brushed away from the windows.

Transient

They tell me you've lost your hired man.

Sho! What wuz th' matter?

Nothing. John's a German, you know, and these here Germans hev what they call the wanderlust. It is something that keeps 'em movin' from one place to t'other, an' don't let 'em stay long anywheres.

How long had John been with you?

Only eleven years.

HACKING COUGH OF TWO MONTHS STANDING

Cured by Na-Dru-Co Syrup of Linseed, Licorice and Chlorodyne

You know how hard it is to get rid of a cough that has hung on for even two weeks, let alone two months. So you will appreciate what Na-Dru-Co Syrup of Linseed, Licorice and Chlorodyne did for Mr. Patrick Holland, of East Baltic, P. E. I. He says:

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The unique, scientific combination of three such reliable remedies makes Na-Dru-Co Syrup of Linseed, Licorice and Chlorodyne the best preparation that that has ever been offered for all sorts of colds and coughs. Get a 25c or 50c bottle from your Druggist and see for yourself how effective it is. National Drug and Chemical Co. of Canada, Limited. 323

Quite Enough

If a young man takes his best girl to the opera, spends $5 on a supper after the performance, and then takes her home in a taxi, should he kiss her good night?

I don't think she ought to expect it. Seems to me he has done enough for her.

Every One

Everyone has some secret sorrow, said the philosophic friend. Yes, even the fattest and jolliest of us has a skeleton in his midst.

Foolish Query

Kitty—Jack said last night he'd kiss me or die in the attempt.

May—Good gracious! And did he kiss you?

Kitty—Well, you haven't heard of his death, have you?

The Penalty

Do you know the penalty for perjury? asked the cross-examining lawyer sternly.

Yes, sir, said the stubborn witness.

Well, sir, what is the penalty for perjury? thundered the lawyer.

It's getting elected to the assembly and going on a lecture tour, answered the witness.

The Sweet Thing

Fair visitor—Oh, don't trouble to see me to the door!

Hostess—No trouble at all, dear. It is a pleasure.

George's Telegram

George was famous for being late at his appointments. He was engaged to be married to a young lady in a neighboring city, and when the day of the ceremony arrived, George as usual, did not appear. The bride was on the verge of nervous prostration when the following telegram was received from the missing bridegroom:

Dear Helen,—Missed the early train. Will arrive on the 4.31. Don't get married until I get there.

George.

TROUBLE WITH THE EYES

The effects of low vitality on the eyesight are little understood, or fewer people would rush to the optician when trouble comes, instead of first trying to get the nervous system into good condition.

When the nerves become exhausted, about the first indication is weakness of the optic nerve, and consequent eye trouble and nervous headaches. The strain on the optic nerve, in continually adjusting and focusing the lens of the eye is enormous, and when the nervous force in the body is diminished the trouble is first felt in the sight and by severe headaches.

By forming new, red corpuscles in the blood, Dr. Chase's Nerve Food revitalizes the wasted nerve cells and instils new vitality into the optic nerve, as well as the other nerves of the body. Headache is not merely relieved, but the cause is removed. Sight improves, and instead of the annoyance and makeshift practice of wearing glasses, the eyes are strengthened and the general health improved in every way.

Force of Habit

Something I can do for you sir? said the floorwalker to a man anxiously looking up and down every aisle.

Well, yes, answered the man; I seem to have lost my wife.

Third floor, third side, said the floorwalker; you'll find a full line of mourning goods there.

It is a Liver Pill.—Many of the ailments that man has to contend with have their origin in a disordered liver, which is a delicate organ, peculiarly susceptible to the disturbances that come from irregular habits or lack of care in eating and drinking. This accounts for the great many liver regulators now pressed on the attention of sufferers. Of these there is none superior to Parmelee's Vegetable Pills. Their operation though gentle is effective, and the most delicate can use them.

Tough

Lady—It must have been a very tender-hearted butcher who killed that lamb you sold me yesterday.

Butcher—Why?

Lady—He must have hesitated three or four years before striking the fatal blow.

A Treat or Teacher

Mamma—So you want to give your teacher a present?

Bessie—Yes, ma, I'd like to give her some of that candy I had the other day.

Mamma—Why, that was what made you so ill.

Bessie—Yes, ma, I know it was.

Who Was Good

Mamma tells me you have not been spanked all day, Jane, said the father upon his return home. So you have been a good little girl all day.

It isn't that. It is Mother who has been angelic all day.

To Measure Coal in a Bin

A solid cubic foot of anthracite coal weighs about 93 pounds. When broken for use it weighs about 54 pounds. Bituminous coal, when broken up for use, weighs about 50 pounds. The consequent rule for the approximate measurement of coal in a bin or box is to multiply the length in feet by the height in feet and again by the breadth in feet, and this result by 54 for anthracite coal, or by 50 for bituminous coal. The result will equal the number of tons divided by 2000.

A Novel Idea

And when I finish my career I shall become an aviator.

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Little Sister—Hello, Charley! What are you doing away from your lessons?

Charley—I gave mamma the slip.

Little Sister—Yes, but she's going to get even. I just heard her say she was going to give you the slipper.

Coming to This?

Judge, said the forewoman of the jury of ladies, we want to speak to you about that sealed verdict we just rendered.

Well, ladies?

Can we unseal it and add a postscript.

Of Mixed Origin

She—Sometimes you appear really manly and sometimes you are effeminate.

He—I suppose it's hereditary. Half of my ancestors were men and the other half were women.

Classified

Your former husband must still love you.

Why so?

He tells me that he owes a great deal to you.

He's referring to the back alimony.

Legal Procedure

The sinner had been weighed in the balance and found wanting.

Whereupon the attorney for the Sinner filed a motion for a new trial on the ground that the scales were out of order.

Why They Did

Benevolent Lady—I am collecting for the suffering poor.

Tired Man—But are you sure they really suffer?

Benevolent Lady—Oh, yes, indeed! I go to their homes and talk to them for hours at a time.

IF CATARRH KEEPS YOU HAWKING USE "CATARRHOZONE"—THE QUICKEST CURE

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No doctor attempts to-day to cure a genuine case of catarrh or bronchitis except by the inhalation method. Stomach dosing has been discarded because useless medicine so taken affects only the stomach—never reaches the seat of catarrh.

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Vulcan Market Report

Spring Wheat, No. 1	.72
" No. 2	.70
" No. 3	.67
" No. 4	.61
" No. 5	.56
" No. 6	.53
" Feed	.46
Oats, No. 2 C.W.	.25
" Extra No. 1 Feed	.24½
" No. 1 Feed	.22½
Barley, Ex. No 3	.35
Barley, No. 3	.31
" No. 4	.29
Feed	.27
Flax No. 1, N.W	1.10
" No. 2, C.W	1.07
" No. 3, C. W	.97
Eggs	.34
Butter	.35
Butter, trade	.30
Chicken	.10
Fowl	.16
Cattle, live	.2
Veal, live	.16
Cows	.0
Hogs	.6to5
Dressed Hogs	.107
Ducks	.14
Turkeys	.17
Geese	.11

Canada And The Orient

In reply to a question from the Hon. Frank Oliver, in the House of Commons at Ottawa on Tuesday last, on the topic of Canada's trade in the Orient, the minister of trade and commerce said that the feature of this year had been the very marked growth that had been displayed in regard to Canadian flour over that of last year. He believed that there would speedily develop in the east a consumption of Canadian cereals which it would be folly to overlook.

China was naturally one of the richest countries in the world, and yet was one of the least developed, this being in a great measure due to the lack of transportation facilities. Today China was forging ahead with railway construction and when she got settled down to it that would take still larger proportions.

The result of this would be that it would lead to the early development of her natural resources, and the opening up of the whole country under Western ideas, western trade and western cutoms. It would, as a consequence, open up a great demand for machinery and tools, but something beyond this in importance would be the demand for food for the four hundred million people of China and the sixty-five million people of Japan. As a general rule these people were living today on the most scant food supplies, and strange as it may sound, rice was in some parts getting too dear for the natives. This was due to the fact that the better quality of the rice was exported, and that which was left was inferior. The people were now getting on to the idea of flour, and even though the individual increase might be fractional, it amounted to a tremendous volume among a population of four hundred million; the aggregate sum would be very large. There was certainly a great field for Canadian flour and wheat products. "We have a great front door on the Pacific," said the Hon Mr Fraser, "and we must keep our eyes open and every string attached that will hold this trade. No country has a better chance to take advantage of that trade than Canada. Necessity and changing conditions are making the opportunity for us in the Orient.

Standard Oil Work China

Mr W. E. Bemis, vice-president of the Standard Oil Company, of New York, has given some interesting statements in regard to the agreement which has been entered into between his company and the Republic of China. He says: "The Republic of China has entered into partnership with Standard Oil Company for the development of it's oil possessions, in the first partnership agreement that I believe has ever been made between a great nation and a private corporation.

"This contract, I believe, is unique in the history of commerce It means the opening of a commercial era through the development of the resources of China such as the world has never seen The possibilities are vast I consider that China is the greatest field for commercial development in the world to-day. We know that in addition to it's oil, it has great copper deposits, gold, silver, and coal possessions that have never been touched. China is sufficient in itself with all these vast possessions. There is no need for it to solicit foreign trade."

Mr. Bemis went on to say that the company loaned China $15,000,000 was a mistake. The Chinese wanted the loan in the original negotiations, but this was purely a matter for the bankers, and nothing in the final agreement contained provision for any loan.

John Harris, formerly of Oklahoma, and H. L. Adair of Southern Alberta have the distinction of taking the first steam plows into the Peace River country, north of the 55th parrallel of latitude, where they will engage in grain growing and mixed farming. Harris has a tract of 4000 acres in the Grand Prairie district, and Adair has between 4,500 and 5,000 acres near Lake Saskatoon in northwestern Alberta. These plows will break from 40 to 50 acres of land in 16 hours, working with two shifts. Harris is planning to break 2,400 acres the coming spring and seed it to wheat and barley, which he will feed to stock next winter. Heads of implement houses in Edmonton report that 20 steam plows have been contracted for delivery during April and May. This means that many thousands of acres of virgin lands north of Edmonton will be broken and cultivated this year.

Grazing Lease Regulations

The long delayed grazing regulations in which the whole of the ranching industry of the west is interested, have been approved by the cabinet, and signed by the governor general

The new regulations are particularly designed to encourage mixed farming in Western Canada. In future leases will be for ten years, and the maximum area granted to any one person or company will be twelve thousand acres Applications will only be granted after a thorough examination to see whether the land is agricultural or grazing. An important clause provides that the holder of an unpatented homestead which upon examination is found unfit for agricultural purposes, may sell his improvements to a rancher and be granted the right to re-enter for other lands, and the purchaser may apply for a lease of the abandoned homestead

MAY WITHDRAW LAND

There is a clause which provides that if after examination of a tract of land applied for it is found that granting of a lease would be an injustice to others who have been using the land, and that it would be impracticable to make a satisfactory division of the land it may be withdrawn from entry and reserved for public grazing purposes.

The regulations also provide that one third of the whole amount of stock required to be placed upon a leasehold, namely. one head of cattle, or five head of sheep for every thirty acres of land, must be placed on the tract the first year, another third the second year, and the full quota the third year.

If upon inspection it is found the leasehold will support more stock, the minister may require additional stock on the land.

An important clause provides that at least twenty five per cent of the stock shall be breeding stock —Reports on the amount of stock must be made on the first of July of each year The annual rental is at the rate of two cents per acre payable half-yearly in advance All the leases must be enclosed by suitable fences.

HOLDER MAY RENEW.

The holder of a lease has the prior right at its expiration to a renewal on complying with the regulations, a lease cannot be assigned without the consent of the minister, and in no case will an assignment be allowed unless the lessee has complied with the regulations requiring that one third of the whole number of stock has been placed on the tract.

The lessee of four sections or more may construct buildings and corrals, but shall not be allowed any vested rights in such lands other than improvements.

In the event of the principle of leasing being abandoned, the lessee shall have the prior right to purchase a half section in which his improvements are located at not less than three dollars per acre.

The lessee is entitled to the hay on his leasehold, but cannot sell it In addition he may cultivate any of the land for winter feed for his stock, but has no right to dispose of it.

The frontage of a leasehold on a lake or creek shall not exceed one mile for every four miles in depth.

Potatoes Going Up

That a rapid jump in the price of potatoes is probable before the first of May is the opinion of S. Savage, of the firm of Plunket & Savage, the large fruit and vegetable dealers of this city. "I should not be surprised to see potatoes go up to $55 or $60 per ton," said Mr Savage. "That will mean about from $1.60 to $1.70 per bushel. This of course applies only to imported potatoes, for which the price is now $45 per ton. But even Alberta potatoes, which a week ago were selling at $22 per ton, are now $30. Furthermore I don't believe that there are any large stocks of potatoes in the city either. Of course it would be difficult to say what portion of the potatoes now being sold are Alberta potatoes, but I think it safe to say that the largest proportion of potatoes now sold consists of imported ones."

That his firm alone is importing two or three cars of vegetables each week was another statement made by Savage. "It will probably be necessary to keep on doing this for an indefinite period," he said. At present nearly everything comes from California, but by about the end of March things will begin to reach here from Oregon and Washington, which will probably mean a reduction in some things."

No less than a carload of eggs a week is being imported by this firm into Calgary. Most of them come from as far south as Nebraska and Tennessee.—News Telegram.

Regarding Mineral Rights

Several months ago Mr. J. E. Varley upon investigating the question of oil leases and surface rights decided that the homesteader who filed on land between the date of 1889 and 1908 was possessor of mineral as well as surface rights on the property filed upon. Mr Varley took the matter up vigorously and arranged with the homesteaders to give them a certain percentage of mineral rights providing his claim was justified. He secured the signatures of many of our farmers and is now pressing his claims upon the Department of Interior.

Prior to 1889, land filed on carried to the homesteader the mineral as well as surface rights, but in that year the government issued an order-in-council which reserved all minerals to the crown. This order-in-council was in effect until 1908 when an act was passed which stated clearly that the mineral rights should be reserved to the crown

It is now claimed by certain parties that the government had no right to withhold the mineral rights from the homesteaders between the years 1889 and 1908 by an order in-council, and these parties are now endeavoring to wrest from the present leaseholders their titles to the petroleum and natural gas rights.

Legal advice has been sought on the subject and although one or two lawyers have claimed that there is a possible technicality on which to put up a fight, the greater number of Calgary's solicitors have thrown cold water upon the idea and branded it as unfeasible.

VARLEY'S CLAIM REDICULOUS

That the claims, made by Mr. Varley, are nothing short of ridiculous is the opinion held by many of the prominent oil men The view is expressed that if the order in council, issued by the government, was not proper in every sense of the word the authorities at Ottawa will simply have to pass legislation that will remedy any irregularity. However, some lawyers claim that this action cannot be taken.

A. W. Dingman, managing director of the Calgary Petroleum Products company, stated that nothing would come of the effort being made to oust present lease holders.

"I think the government has the power" he said, "to make legal any actions taken which may not be strictly right.

"In any event, though, companies that have been formed on a sound basis, will not be affected as nearly all these companies have the surface as well as the mineral rights on property held by them.

"All the ground on which the Calgary Petroleum Products company has leases is held outright.

"Only a few speculators in leases would be affected.

"It is absurd to imagine anyone securing the surface rights of the leases held by the natural gas company at Bow Island, on the assumption that they can secure the mineral rights also. One may be sure that this company is fully protected."

Other oil men claim that the homesteaders who may apply for the mineral rights will have nothing definite on which to base their claims.

When they filed on the property they all understood that they were acquiring the surface rights only and the papers signed at the different land offices were signed with that understanding.

Lazy Husbands' Stockade

King county, Washington, is experimenting with all sorts of fool legislation—the most ridiculous but not the least expensive on the list being a lazy husband act Any lazy husband who fails to provide for his family is thrust into the stockade located on a 60 acre tract near the city. Here the lazy husbands are put to work clearing land for the county. This experiment has been tried for a year, and the results total about as follows:

There are 48 of the recreant husbands doing time at $1 to $1.50 per day, the money going to the families of the prisoners. The board of the prisoners and necessary service costs $1000 per month, wages of lazy husbands $950 per month; salaries of a dozen employees $1,100 per month; cost of land clearing by lazy husbands $5,000 an acre. The county authorities have decided it will be cheaper to board them at a hotel or jail and support their families.

Parcels Post a Boon

The establishment of Parcels Post which took place all over Canada on Tuesday of last week, will prove of inestimable value to the people as a whole and particularly to merchants in the small towns. The mail order houses are handicapped to a certain extent by the creation of a local limited zone which the postoffice regulations call for within this radius. After the scheme has passed a three months probation period, the rate will be 5 cents for 11 pounds, which is bound to give the local merchant a big start on his competitors of the mail order house. Dry Goods and Merchandise can be forwarded and when the districts around Vulcan are fully settled the benefits will be greatly enhanced. The parcels post is a forward and progressive movement and will be fully appreciated by the public when thoroughly established.

Okotoks Fire Loss

Damage estimated at $60,000 was done by a fire which broke out this morning in MacLeod's clothing store Before the flames were subdued the following premises had been destroyed: Okotoks Hardware company; residence of Geo. Hindley, M L A.; MacLeod's store, with hall on floor above; J Wilson's undertaking establishment; building owned by George Thompson and occupied by a merchant tailor; and a building owned by W. E. MacLeod, Calgary, and occupied by Van der Plant's photo studio and a Chinese restaurant.

The outbreak was discovered about two o'clock, and before the fire brigade got busy the flames had made such progress that the chemical apparatus had practically no effect. The conflagration spread rapidly, and prior to the arrival of the Calgary firefighters the buildings involved were in ruins.

The Kikyu dispute, arising as will be remembered out of the association of bishops of the Church of England with the representatives of other Protestant churches in Central Africa, is not to be fought out to a definite conclusion. At least that is the impression which one receives from the announcement of the Archbishop of Canterbury that the Bishop of Zanzibar has withdrawn his charge of heresy —But must not the issue that has been raised be pressed to a decision sooner or later? If the Zanzibar prelate was acting in accordance with church law, as seems apparent is it not the proper thing to do to change that law if it conflicts with practices that the majority of churchmen approve of?

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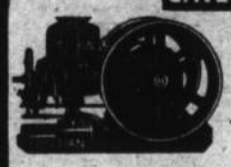

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